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Consider an early RRSP draw-down – Around age 65, revisit your tax-deferred RRSPs, Ms. Kruivitsky recommends. "You will know what your various pensions will contribute and have a good idea of your spending needs." So think about "averaging" your income forward. The conventional wisdom of leaving RRSPs untouched until age 71 may hurt you, as that strategy can lead to both higher tax rates and loss of OAS. By converting some of your RRSP to a RRIF at 65, you create opportunities for pension-splitting with your spouse and can access the \$2,000 pension-income tax credit, too.

Bridge the knowledge gap – Experts who deal with different people in different circumstances see things about our situation that we don't. "With the right information, most people make good choices and do the right thing," Ms. Kruivitsky says. The greatest gap is in the information, when advisors make things seem so complex, you just want to give up. Don't give in. Ask questions until you get answers that make sense to you. "Learn what you need to know," Ms. Kruivitsky says, "and you'll be able to protect your savings for as long as you need them."

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The perfect storm for asthma

As summer winds down, many parents and students focus on the school year ahead. That usually means buying school supplies and longer pants. But for parents of children with asthma, the start of the school year should also include taking preventative steps to protect their kids from the "September Spike" -- the annual increase in asthma-related emergency room visits that happens when school begins.

Cold viruses -- that are easily spread from person to person -- are one of the most common triggers for asthma symptoms. Kids are in close contact with each other in classrooms, schoolyards and buses. This close contact helps germs spread and increases kids' risk of infection.

"Many respirologists refer to the September Spike as the

'perfect storm'," says Carole Madeley, director of Respiratory Health Programs for the Ontario Lung Association. "Cold viruses, combined with the fact that many kids with asthma have changed or interrupted their regular asthma management schedule over the summer months, act as major triggers, resulting in Emergency Departments across the province chock a block with asthma patients."

More than 2.4 million Ontarians have asthma, with about 20 percent being children, which means it's a big problem for many families and hits all schools across the province. Dr. Sharon Dell, a pediatric respirologist at Toronto's SickKids Hospital stresses, "Good asthma control requires daily efforts. Anti-inflammatory medications are often needed every day.

Avoiding asthma triggers also demands a continuous effort. However, the benefit of having well controlled asthma and being able to live a full, active life is well worth it."

Through a major public education campaign the Ontario Lung Association helps parents take steps to prevent their children from having an asthma attack. One of the key campaign messages: regular use of controller medication such as anti-inflammatory medications significantly reduces the risk of emergency room treatment for asthma. By ensuring good asthma control, you can protect your child all year round.

The Ontario Lung Association is a respected resource for parents and teachers. Call 1-888-344-LUNG (5864) and speak to a certified respiratory educator or visit www.on.lung.ca



County card scores

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August 12 bid euchre at Club 35: Leading ladies were Helen Windsor 287, Barb Robitaille 261 and Sharron Atkinson 218 while first for the gents at 260 was Dick Coffey followed by Clara Miscio 243 and Marcel Lamothe 232. Colin Miller held the hidden score with Jack Cox, Helen Windsor [2] and our reporter Jean Dutka taking the moonshots.

August 12 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: First in North/South were Peter O'Connor and Rob Eaton 62 percent then Muriel McIntosh and Sue Pethick 61 percent and in third at 58 percent Jean Collins partnered with Andrea Iceruk. For East/West top spot went to Howie Ryan and Joan Galley 64 percent with the duos of Vange Croucher and Gord Cochrane and Ross Fletcher and Kathie Porter tied for second place at 56 percent.

August 13 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Albert Foster reports that Kevin Maloney took top honours for the whites at 290 then Wayne Jones 252, Jesse Barlow 237 and Elli Langpohl 219. Pat Roussel was first for the pinks at 296 followed by Sharron Atkinson 270, Sherin Brown 234 and Maria Tschida 222. Vi Howell won the special prize while Kevin Maloney and Wayne Jones took the moonshots.

August 14 euchre at 6 Parkside, Minden: From Sharon Forbes the news that Albert Foster won for high hands, Pearl Cowen for lone hands, Nick Boekestyn for low hands and Arthur Forbes for the special prize.

August 15 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand holders were Doreen Powell and Ken Rowden with Betty Sharpe and Wayne Jones posting the highs. Pearl Cowen had the afternoon's low, Betty Sharpe claimed the special prize and Kay Godden was paid a visit by the skunk. Thanks to Tim Sharpe for his update.

August 15 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: The top three players were Dana Briscoe 276, Jim Corbett 261 and Dorothy McElwain 241. Our reporter Rose Isaacson won the draw while Dana Briscoe, Tom Grix and Dorothy McElwain captured the moonshots.

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August 16 contract bridge at Minden United Church: From Nancy Ballantyne the news that Ewa Narkowiki led the high scores at 5,010 with Dave Greig next at 3,870 and in third Marilyn Burrows 2,920.

August 16 bid euchre at Minden Legion: Ladies leaders were Pearl Cowen 303, Sharron Atkinson 263, Maria Tschida 259 and Margaret Fletcher 255. For the whites top spot went to Jesse Barlow 307 then Archie Ross 267, Phyllis Windsor 265 and our reporter Bev Johnson 241. The draw winners were Betty Wagar, Albert Foster, Ron Morrison and Eileen Shapiera with moonshots landing on Elva Paisley along with Pat and Marcel Roussel.

August 16 contract bridge at Stanhope: Elva Robinson had the high score of 5,410 followed by our reporter Margo Davidson 5,010, Joan Galley 4,780 and Howie Ryan 4,430. Helen Cassidy was awarded the Shiny Penny while Jackie Metcalf was the draw winner. Ross Fletcher and Jim Dennis teamed up for a Grand Slam and Elva Robinson and Margo Davidson for a Small Slam.

August 17 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: North/South honours went to Peter O'Connor and Gord Cochrane 68 percent, Tom and Margo Davidson 59 percent and Muriel McIntosh partnered with Diana Spicer 57 percent. Over in East/West Howie Ryan and Bruce Armstrong took top spot at 65 percent then Joan and Ken Syrett 58 percent and Jim Dennis and Reet Murray 51 percent.

August 17 Big Bucks Bid Euchre at Kinmount Legion: The top trio members were Glenda Swanton 375, Cathy King 368 and Elva Paisley 350 with Sam Gaudet and Vera Hicks both holding the hidden score. Please note that this event is held on the third Wednesday of each month starting at 11 am.

August 17 bid euchre at Stanhope: Leading the whites was Rob Evans 327 then Colin Miller 239 and Betty Jochim 238 while high scores for the pinks went to Vicki Campagnolo 285, Dawn Boland 273 and Joy Wilson 271. Moonshots were claimed by Rob Evans, Tom Grix, Frank Campagnolo and David Lamb. Thanks to Linda Lambert for this update.

August 18 euchre at Minden Legion: May Bradbury reports that lone hand holders were Muriel McIntosh and Tom Orr with Belle Walker and Jesse Barlow posting the highs. Margaret Fletcher and Murray Daniels had the lows while Bob Pollard, Muriel McIntosh, Pearl Cowen, Ron Jarvis and Betty Wagar took home the evening's other prizes.



Of kilts and radio

Vicky Rodden, left, a worker at the Haliburton County Public Library met famous author Diana Gabaldon at the Fergus Highland Games. Gabaldon was discussing her work with her fans and signing a couple of thousand books. Rodden mentioned Canoe FM and her show *Candlelight and beer* and she said she would tune in to the next show. They had a lot in common; they both like men in kilts.



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Recent literary prize winners, *Come Thou Tortoise* by Jessica Grant (for the 2010 Evergreen Award), *The Sentimentalists* by Johanna Skibsrud (for the 2010 Giller Prize) and *The Best Laid Plans* by Terry Fallis (for Canada Reads 2011), are expected to be very popular new additions to our book club sets collection.

Still Alice by Lisa Genova and *The Guernsey Literary Potato Peel Pie Society* by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows are current book club favourites. *Eat Pray Love* by Elizabeth Gilbert, *Northern Light* by Roy MacGregor and *The Innocent Man* by John Grisham are also great for reading groups, particularly those clubs looking to add a bit of non-fiction to their line-up.

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What do you expect?



House help

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It is getting to the point where just about every one now is aware of the concept of the Home Inspection, and in a lot of cases, I suspect that most people have had or know someone who has had a Home Inspection done. Where do your expectations lay? What is it that you expect your inspector to do? How much information is too much, or not enough? Of course coming into a home or cottage you want to know everything! You go to the inspection with great expectation of the wealth of knowledge you are about to pay for.

As an inspector this is a difficult balancing act, in actuality I think that less can be more, that is what I think what I practice most often feels like the three hours of information bombardment has, in some case overwhelmed a prospective buyer. During a facilitators course I had attended some years ago an interesting comment was made. Some where a think tank of, well thinkers I guess came to the conclusion that people only understand 50 per cent of the new information that they hear each day, of that 50 per cent they only remember half of that. This puts us down to a retention level of 25 per cent of the new information you absorbed today (you will probably forget this fact now). This is where the "less can be more" concept comes from. I should be focusing on only talking to people about things that are of significant concern and everything else should simply be documented within the report. This way the areas of importance will not be lost in the vast abyss of info overload, and the minor areas of concern and maintenance can be read through at your leisure, and a closer review of the major concerns

Yes, I tell myself on the way to my Friday morning inspection, I will start practicing what I preach today. It turns out that the gentleman is a return client that I had did an inspection for a year or so ago in Orillia, I did not recognise him or his agent but thanked them for the return business. The inspection started on the outside and as we walked around the house we made some small talk and ask the buyer if he had any initial concerns about the cottage? His reply was "no I really do not know too much about this stuff that is why you are here". In my mind I thought this is the ideal situation to implement my so called "new" inspection style. We finished the outside and moved to the basement.

Once there It soon became very evident that this was a plumbing installation via slingshot, lots of new parts but a drainage system that had every amateur mistake that could be made, was made. I talked about some of the less technical things but suggested that this was a set up that was going to

need a plumber's attention. I was defining it as a major concern. I then took a moment and proceeded to document the long list of concerns. Finishing up my writing I ask him and his agent, who was close by for the entire inspection (which I liked) if they had any other concerns or questions that they would like to speak about prior to moving to the main floor. This is when the bomb shell hit me from the blind side.

Aggressively, the agent moved ahead towards me and with the sternness of a principles scolding he announced that he was very disappointed in me, he continued to define the entire plumbing system as junk and went through a list of code violations, then informed me that not only was he the buyer's agent he is also his brother-in-law as well as a master plumber, and continued to get more and more excited as well as adding a rainbow of colour to his now elevated vocabulary. I listened. When it became time for him to stop talking and take in a few breaths I said to him very calmly "yes, you are absolutely right" A little less intense this time he voiced his concern about my "glossing over" the severity of the situation and at that point I explained to, and showed him that that almost everything he had mentioned was already dried ink on the pages of my report. Delicately, he pulled the remaining feathers from his mouth; he had just enjoyed a full lunch of crow. I did apologise (not that I really think I needed to) and explained to him of process and that at the end of the inspection when I summarize my findings, at that time I would itemize the concerns. While we parted with no hard feelings I am sure that the poor client was probably still in shock by the time he got back to Mississauga, I am quite sure he only recalls about 15 minutes of the 2 hour and 45 minute inspection.

Still a very imperfect process, and an imperfect industry, as are most endeavours that are worth doing.

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Consider an early RRSP draw-down – Around age 65, revisit your tax-deferred RRSPs, Ms. Kruivitsky recommends. "You will know what your various pensions will contribute and have a good idea of your spending needs." So think about "averaging" your income forward. The conventional wisdom of leaving RRSPs untouched until age 71 may hurt you, as that strategy can lead to both higher tax rates and loss of OAS. By converting some of your RRSP to a RRIF at 65, you create opportunities for pension-splitting with your spouse and can access the \$2,000 pension-income tax credit, too.

Bridge the knowledge gap – Experts who deal with different people in different circumstances see things about our situation that we don't. "With the right information, most people make good choices and do the right thing," Ms. Kruivitsky says. The greatest gap is in the information, when advisors make things seem so complex, you just want to give up. Don't give in. Ask questions until you get answers that make sense to you. "Learn what you need to know," Ms. Kruivitsky says, "and you'll be able to protect your savings for as long as you need them."

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The perfect storm for asthma

As summer winds down, many parents and students focus on the school year ahead. That usually means buying school supplies and longer pants. But for parents of children with asthma, the start of the school year should also include taking preventative steps to protect their kids from the "September Spike" -- the annual increase in asthma-related emergency room visits that happens when school begins.

Cold viruses -- that are easily spread from person to person -- are one of the most common triggers for asthma symptoms. Kids are in close contact with each other in classrooms, schoolyards and buses. This close contact helps germs spread and increases kids' risk of infection.

"Many respirologists refer to the September Spike as the

'perfect storm'," says Carole Madeley, director of Respiratory Health Programs for the Ontario Lung Association. "Cold viruses, combined with the fact that many kids with asthma have changed or interrupted their regular asthma management schedule over the summer months, act as major triggers, resulting in Emergency Departments across the province chock a block with asthma patients."

More than 2.4 million Ontarians have asthma, with about 20 percent being children, which means it's a big problem for many families and hits all schools across the province. Dr. Sharon Dell, a pediatric respirologist at Toronto's SickKids Hospital stresses, "Good asthma control requires daily efforts. Anti-inflammatory medications are often needed every day.

Avoiding asthma triggers also demands a continuous effort. However, the benefit of having well controlled asthma and being able to live a full, active life is well worth it."

Through a major public education campaign the Ontario Lung Association helps parents take steps to prevent their children from having an asthma attack. One of the key campaign messages: regular use of controller medication such as anti-inflammatory medications significantly reduces the risk of emergency room treatment for asthma. By ensuring good asthma control, you can protect your child all year round.

The Ontario Lung Association is a respected resource for parents and teachers. Call 1-888-344-LUNG (5864) and speak to a certified respiratory educator or visit www.on.lung.ca



County card scores

by Patti Fleury ~ 488-2938 ~ brucefleury@nexicom.net

August 12 bid euchre at Club 35: Leading ladies were Helen Windsor 287, Barb Robitaille 261 and Sharron Atkinson 218 while first for the gents at 260 was Dick Coffey followed by Clara Miscio 243 and Marcel Lamothe 232. Colin Miller held the hidden score with Jack Cox, Helen Windsor [2] and our reporter Jean Dutka taking the moonshots.

August 12 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: First in North/South were Peter O'Connor and Rob Eaton 62 percent then Muriel McIntosh and Sue Pethick 61 percent and in third at 58 percent Jean Collins partnered with Andrea Iceruk. For East/West top spot went to Howie Ryan and Joan Galley 64 percent with the duos of Vange Croucher and Gord Cochrane and Ross Fletcher and Kathie Porter tied for second place at 56 percent.

August 13 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Albert Foster reports that Kevin Maloney took top honours for the whites at 290 then Wayne Jones 252, Jesse Barlow 237 and Elli Langpohl 219. Pat Roussel was first for the pinks at 296 followed by Sharron Atkinson 270, Sherin Brown 234 and Maria Tschida 222. Vi Howell won the special prize while Kevin Maloney and Wayne Jones took the moonshots.

August 14 euchre at 6 Parkside, Minden: From Sharon Forbes the news that Albert Foster won for high hands, Pearl Cowen for lone hands, Nick Boekestyn for low hands and Arthur Forbes for the special prize.

August 15 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand holders were Doreen Powell and Ken Rowden with Betty Sharpe and Wayne Jones posting the highs. Pearl Cowen had the afternoon's low, Betty Sharpe claimed the special prize and Kay Godden was paid a visit by the skunk. Thanks to Tim Sharpe for his update.

August 15 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: The top three players were Dana Briscoe 276, Jim Corbett 261 and Dorothy McElwain 241. Our reporter Rose Isaacson won the draw while Dana Briscoe, Tom Grix and Dorothy McElwain captured the moonshots.

August 15 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Don Jemmett reports that Elaine Yeo won for high hands, Pearl Cowen for lone hands, Eileen Shepstone for low hands and Maria Tschida for the special prize.

August 15 euchre at Club 35: Lone hand holder was Mary Pearson with Marion Farr and Jack Kyte posting the high scores. The evening's lows went to Jean Randell and Dave Lamb while Merv Elstone claimed the baloney. How do you win the baloney? It goes to the first player to get a lone hand in the last game.

August 16 contract bridge at Minden United Church: From Nancy Ballantyne the news that Ewa Narkowiki led the high scores at 5,010 with Dave Greig next at 3,870 and in third Marilyn Burrows 2,920.

August 16 bid euchre at Minden Legion: Ladies leaders were Pearl Cowen 303, Sharron Atkinson 263, Maria Tschida 259 and Margaret Fletcher 255. For the whites top spot went to Jesse Barlow 307 then Archie Ross 267, Phyllis Windsor 265 and our reporter Bev Johnson 241. The draw winners were Betty Wagar, Albert Foster, Ron Morrison and Eileen Shapiera with moonshots landing on Elva Paisley along with Pat and Marcel Roussel.

August 16 contract bridge at Stanhope: Elva Robinson had the high score of 5,410 followed by our reporter Margo Davidson 5,010, Joan Galley 4,780 and Howie Ryan 4,430. Helen Cassidy was awarded the Shiny Penny while Jackie Metcalf was the draw winner. Ross Fletcher and Jim Dennis teamed up for a Grand Slam and Elva Robinson and Margo Davidson for a Small Slam.

August 17 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: North/South honours went to Peter O'Connor and Gord Cochrane 68 percent, Tom and Margo Davidson 59 percent and Muriel McIntosh partnered with Diana Spicer 57 percent. Over in East/West Howie Ryan and Bruce Armstrong took top spot at 65 percent then Joan and Ken Syrett 58 percent and Jim Dennis and Reet Murray 51 percent.

August 17 Big Bucks Bid Euchre at Kinmount Legion: The top trio members were Glenda Swanton 375, Cathy King 368 and Elva Paisley 350 with Sam Gaudet and Vera Hicks both holding the hidden score. Please note that this event is held on the third Wednesday of each month starting at 11 am.

August 17 bid euchre at Stanhope: Leading the whites was Rob Evans 327 then Colin Miller 239 and Betty Jochim 238 while high scores for the pinks went to Vicki Campagnolo 285, Dawn Boland 273 and Joy Wilson 271. Moonshots were claimed by Rob Evans, Tom Grix, Frank Campagnolo and David Lamb. Thanks to Linda Lambert for this update.

August 18 euchre at Minden Legion: May Bradbury reports that lone hand holders were Muriel McIntosh and Tom Orr with Belle Walker and Jesse Barlow posting the highs. Margaret Fletcher and Murray Daniels had the lows while Bob Pollard, Muriel McIntosh, Pearl Cowen, Ron Jarvis and Betty Wagar took home the evening's other prizes.



Of kilts and radio

Vicky Rodden, left, a worker at the Haliburton County Public Library met famous author Diana Gabaldon at the Fergus Highland Games. Gabaldon was discussing her work with her fans and signing a couple of thousand books. Rodden mentioned Canoe FM and her show *Candlelight and beer* and she said she would tune in to the next show. They had a lot in common; they both like men in kilts.



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In their wake

Gavin Hicks of Haliburton holds on for an inverted grab during a practice run the day before he competed in the Sharpley Source for Sports Open Ontario Provincial Championships. This was the third competition in the Roots Wakeboard and Wakeskate Series. More on page 25. **Darren Lum** Echo staff

Local teen dies in car crash

A Fort Irwin teenager died Aug. 21 after his car hit a utility pole on County Road 14.

Joshua Rewa, 19, was pronounced dead at the scene by police after they were called to investigate a single-vehicle collision north of Eagle Lake around 5 a.m.

There were no other occupants in the car.

The investigation is ongoing.

Cause of man's death determined

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

David Pfaller was with a group of friends on the morning of Aug. 13 when he entered Farquhar Lake headfirst and hit an object under the water.

A resident of Scarborough, Pfaller, 26, died as a result of blunt force trauma, according to an official media release from the OPP's Haliburton detachment.

Police found Pfaller in the water at a cottage on Buxton Road in Highlands East at approximately 5:15 a.m.

He was pronounced dead at the scene, said Sandy Adams, media relations and community service officer for the Haliburton Highlands detachment.

It is too early to know if alcohol was a factor in the incident, Adams said.

"Toxicology reports take a long time to come back," she said.

The OPP do not suspect foul play in this incident.

An investigation was conducted by the OPP's City of Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton Highlands Criminal Investigations Unit.



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For this concert he will perform works by Bach, Beethoven, Brahms, Chopin and Nancarrow.

Choi is the winner of France's 2002 Concours International and Laureate of the 2003 Honens International Piano Competition.

He has performed in recital and with orchestra across four continents, and has recorded extensively.

He is assistant professor and head of piano at Roosevelt University's Chicago College of Performing Arts.

Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$10 for students, and are available from Brenda Robinson at 705-457-2695 or brobinson@interhop.net. These low prices are due to the support they receive from the Ontario Arts Council.

Visit their website, www.haliburtoncs.blogspot.com, for further details about our 2011 season.

Church celebrates 50 years

The Harcourt Community Chapel marked half a century since its founding at a special event Sunday, Aug. 21.

The guest speaker was Ross Kearney and a supper was offered to mark the occasion.

The anniversary was not the 50th for the building, Charles Hughes noted, but rather of the group who makes up the church, who started meeting in living rooms in the Harcourt area in the organization's early days.

Clarification

Last week's *Echo* reported that the Granite Cove condominium project was to be located on the corner of Highway 118 and Sunnyside Street.

Once completed the project will actually be located at 1 Park St.

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Highlands East man charged with several offences

On Saturday, Aug. 20 the Bancroft OPP and Highlands East Fire Department responded to the report of a fire on Norwester Road in Highlands East.

The fire had been put out prior to police and fire department arrival.

After police arrived, the man at the property proceeded to start a chainsaw and cut a tree.

Three men from a neighbouring residence showed up and were talking to the man with the chainsaw when he lunged at them.

He was arrested and taken into

Teen was driving drunk: OPP

An 18-year-old Peterborough man was charged with driving drunk after police were called to a crash earlier this month.

Bancroft OPP found a pickup truck in the ditch on Footbridge Road in Highlands East Aug. 13 and charged the driver with operating a vehicle with 80 mgs of alcohol in his blood, driving disqualified and impaired operation of a vehicle. He will appear in Bancroft court Aug. 30.

A 16-year-old passenger had minor injuries from the accident, while a second 16-year-old had no injuries. All were from Peterborough.

Trailer stolen

A trailer was stolen from Spooks Bay Road in Highlands East sometime in August.

The Bancroft police received a report of a stolen green utility trailer on Aug. 13, but it could have been taken any time after Aug. 1.

Anyone with information should call Bancroft OPP at 613-332-2112 or Crimestoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

Man charged with drunk driving

A 27-year-old man from Alderville was charged with impaired driving after being pulled over by Haliburton OPP on Aug. 13 at 3:20 a.m. on Wonderland Road.

The man was also charged with drive over 80 mgs and driving disqualified.

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Piece of Gelert finds home in Haliburton

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Diana Ferguson does not believe in cemeteries. So when it came time to honour her late husband's memory Diana had a different idea in mind.

On Aug. 18 a bronze sculpture of an Irish wolfhound named Gelert was unveiled at the Haliburton Sculpture Museum to commemorate the late Alan Ferguson and his beloved dog Barney.

Close to 100 guests attended the official unveiling, which was made possible through a significant donation on behalf of Diana and an Ontario Trillium Foundation grant.

Years in the making, the completion of the latest addition to the forest was a moment of triumph for both the sculpture's artist and its donor.

Created by local artist Mary Anne Barkhouse, a resident of Gelert, the sculpture was a vision she had to tie in the commemoration with an iconic Welsh story about a man's relationship to his dog.

Technically challenging from the start, the single bronze sculpture is the largest piece Barkhouse has ever created and was mounted on top of a large rock in the forest.

"I'm relieved and happy. It seems to have gotten a really great reception," said Barkhouse upon its completion.

"Public art is about community. That's a big responsibility and something I don't take lightly."

A former councillor of Dysart et al., Alan had a special bond to his dog Barney, who helped him campaign during his political career.

For Diana it was only fitting that the sculpture's unveiling coincided with the exact date of Barney's birthday.

As the sheet was lifted off Gelert for all to admire, the hair on the back of Diana's neck stood up.

"It's always going to be there," said Diana.

With limited involvement during the sculpture's creation, she was amazed upon seeing the final product.

For Diana, the art represents a wonderful way to remember her husband, who passed away in 2006.

"This is better than a park bench," she said.

Diana was approached by Jim Blake, curator of the Haliburton Sculpture Forest and Barb Bolin, chairwoman of the Haliburton Sculpture Forest's board of directors in the winter of 2007, when they came up with the idea to create the sculpture.

Barkhouse was contacted shortly after by Diana and ultimately commissioned to create the piece.

Bolin and Blake officially announced plans for the sculpture at Fleming College on Oct. 14.

The Ontario Trillium Foundation contributed funds over two years for the Haliburton Sculpture Forest, which has supported the purchase and installation of two sculptures and the promotion of the sculpture forest, according to Blake.

Following the unveiling, guests gathered in the Great Hall of Fleming College to watch a four-part film of the creation of the sculpture from beginning to end.

Created by Highlands Media Arts, the video captured the fable, the process and the execution of Gelert.

The Haliburton County Development Corporation contributed to the production of the film, titled *The Making of Gelert*.

To complete the ceremony Barkhouse gave a brief presentation of her work as an artist and her points of inspira-



Angelica Blenich Echo staff

The newest addition to the Haliburton Sculpture Forest was unveiled during an official ceremony at the Fleming College campus in Haliburton on Aug. 18.

The bronze sculpture Gelert was created by artist Mary Anne Barkhouse, left, to honour the memory of the late Alan Ferguson, former Dysart councillor and husband of Diana Ferguson, right.



Al Reid, left, Michael Belmore, Mary Anne Barkhouse, who created the 400lb. bronze sculpture being lowered into place, with Tony Aymong, work together to properly secure the sculpture on a boulder at the sculpture forest in Glebe Park on Tuesday, Aug. 16. More photos from the installation and unveiling of Gelert can be found online.

Darren Lum Echo staff

tion.

Originally from Vancouver, Barkhouse has paved a career around aspects of the environment and wilderness.

Her decision to move to Haliburton from Toronto was based on wanting to be where the work was, she said.

Barkhouse thanked a number of people involved with the project for their ongoing support throughout the process, including Barb Bolin, Jim Blake, Michael Belmore and

Diana Ferguson.

"I hope you spread the word about the sculpture forest," said Barkhouse.

Blake thanked everyone for attending and Barkhouse for all her efforts.

"Congratulations Mary Anne," he said.

For more information on the sculpture forest visit www.haliburtonsculptureforest.ca.

Community Care hosts momentous birthday for Marjory Peel

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

She may be 100, but she's not letting that number get in her way.

On Aug. 19 Marjory Peel celebrated her birthday surrounded by friends and family at Community Care in Haliburton.

The special occasion was commemorated with birthday cake, gifts and a musical performance from Gord Kidd, who sang to Peel.

Born in 1911, Peel has been living in Haliburton since 1977.

"I love it here, only thing is the winters are a little cold," she said.

The party was just one part of a busy week for Peel, who also celebrated with a trip to Casino Rama, a night of bingo and dinner out.

"This is my third cake this week," she said.

On behalf of the municipality of Dysart, Deputy-reeve Bill Davis presented Peel with two plaques and a pin commemorating her milestone.

Community Care's executive director Donna MacDonald wished Peel a happy birthday on behalf of the organization, in which Peel still actively participates.

Earlier in the day Peel was visited by Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Rick Johnson, who presented her with a certificate and letter of congratulations.

Asked how she feels at the age of 100, Peel was quick to respond.

"Not bad for an old girl."

Peel, however, doesn't plan on keeping up her recent partying lifestyle.

"I don't think I'd live through another celebration."



Angelica Blenich Echo staff

Marjory Peel celebrated her 100th birthday on Aug. 19 in style with a party at Community Care. Peel was visited by Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Rick Johnson who presented her with a certificate and letter of congratulations for reaching this milestone.

Fire department reminds residents to install working smoke alarms

The Dysart fire department continued with their smoke alarm checks this year on July 25.

During their campaign they checked 125 homes. Although most places checked had working smoke alarms the fire department still enhanced or improved the protection of 29 residences.

The fire department would like to remind everyone that smoke alarms are required on every level and in all sleep areas.

One of the areas checked were trailers and the compliance rate was less than 50 per cent. In a trailer fire you have only minutes to get out and smoke alarms will give you that early warning.

Thank you to the residents who allowed us to assist them and for further information call the Dysart fire department at 705-457-2126.

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Marjory Peel's birthday had all the makings of a successful 100th celebration including cake, balloons, cards and letters of recognition from political dignitaries.



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Regional tourism board gets funding boost

Jenn Watt
Editor

The province has given the regional tourism organization a vote of confidence with promised funding for next year, including a small budget increase.

In a formal letter from the minister of culture, Ontario's Highlands Tourism Organization, which represents Haliburton County within its vast region, was promised \$909,000 - \$30,000 more than last year.

"It means we can strategically plan for another full year out," OHTO chairman George Offshack said in an interview with the paper.

"We're guaranteed funding through June, 2013."

Offshack said that this money will allow the organization to continue its work and allow for better planning.

When founded, the province's 13 tourism organizations were promised \$40 million a year for three years.

There has been some concern from the community that provincial monetary support would dry up, leaving each region to fend for itself.

However, according to government spokeswoman Denelle Balfour, the plan is to continue funding the regional tourism organizations (RTOs) into the foreseeable future.

"Growing our tourism marketing, products and services is critical to ensuring Ontario remains a premier tourism destination," she wrote in an email to the paper. "That's why we are continuing to invest in the RTOs."

The ministry of tourism and culture outlines a funding calculation for the RTOs, including a base amount, a performance-based amount and destination marketing fees.

One income-generating proposal has been for the accommodations sector to charge a tax to its users of one, two or three

per cent, though that suggestion is not concrete.

Moving ahead this year, the OHTO plans to further enhance its recreational geology program, headed up by Minden geologist Michael Bainbridge, who is "improving the places for people to actually go out in the field with a pick and a shovel and have fun," Offshack said.

The organization plans to print a guide to gems and minerals in the region in the coming year.

"Right now, that project is working really well," he said.

"We put \$100,000 of last year's funding into it. We put \$100,000 of this year's funding into it. I'd be pretty sure we'll put \$100,000 again into it. That's something that's region wide. That goes from Haliburton to Pembroke," he said.

"The minister and his staff ... hold [the mineral project] up as the single best example of destination development that any of the 13 regions are doing right now."

Money is also expected to go to non-motorized trail development.

Offshack said that his organization is proud of what it's done in the last 10 months since incorporation, including public outreach programs, a study of current tourism assets and Internet-based industry resource analyzing the latest trends in business.

One of the group's biggest challenges is the sheer size of the region, which stretches from Pembroke to Haliburton and beyond, making choosing a common experience to develop difficult.

"Even though we have a core outdoor experience across the region there are also some secondary experiences that are more geographically specific. It's hard to say we're going to work on the Haliburton Forest as compared to whitewater rafting. The things that aren't truly region-wide, there's a challenge there of how to include them and make them better too," Offshack said.

Measuring success is likewise difficult. Balfour said her ministry is "looking at a

number of measures to gauge the success of the RTOs, both overall and for individual initiatives."

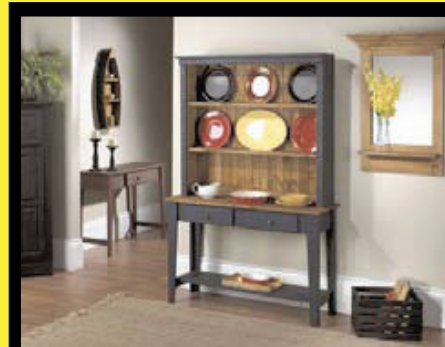
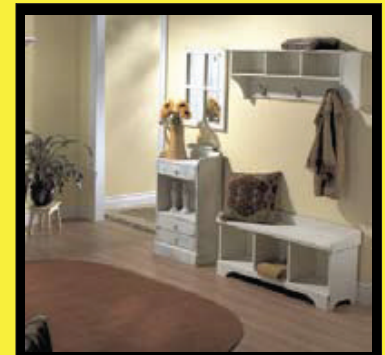
One of those measures includes using Statistics Canada information on accom-

modation revenues and revising "the existing traveller surveys to capture data, including tourism receipts by tourism region," she said.

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These are some examples of the work that are part of Layers of Time, a new exhibit by Sandi Luck and Terry Wright on at the Rails End Gallery until Sept. 24. Chad Ingram Echo staff

points of view

What's important?

THIS FALL'S election isn't as far away as it seems.

Soon it will be Oct. 6 and time to cast our ballots for our provincial representative.

While summer is still upon us, it can be hard to adjust our brains from swimming and hiking to matters as dry as governance and policy, but it's an important thing to do.

Who we collectively choose to represent us for the next four years in Queen's Park can dramatically alter our lives here in the Highlands.

It can be easy to feel disengaged from the political process – Toronto may be just two and a half hours from here, but it could be another country for the difference in pace and politics – yet it is essential that we each do the work to be informed about the issues.

The province, after all, has its hand in dozens of facets of our daily lives.

The big ones –hydro costs and the harmonized sales tax –come to mind easily, since they've so recently sparked controversy, but there are others just as indispensable.

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Summer shimmer

photo by Darren Lum

Looking the other way

THE OTHER DAY I was minding my own business, fishing along a rocky, productive shoreline when, quite unexpectedly, six young women in very skimpy bikinis ran down to the nearby dock, frolicked in the water, and then began the slow process of applying sunscreen to each other while giggling.

Suddenly, and not for the first time, I found myself in an awkward situation.

After all, at times like this taking a good look is inevitable and perhaps even natural. I mean there's a lot of eye candy on display and, human nature being what it is, a person is almost forced to look.

In this case there was tawny, sun-kissed skin, hard muscles, delicate curves and dramatic tan lines. And, if we are to be honest, the supple heaving bosoms were also hard to ignore. And that's just one reason why I can't really blame those women for gawking at me. The other reason, of course, was my angling prowess.

I mean, what woman can resist the sheer athleticism of a middle-aged man doing battle with mediocre smallmouth bass?

Yet, these women were different. Not once, did they whistle or cat call. Not once, I tell you.

Instead they just lay on the dock, either belly up or down, trying very convincingly to act as if they weren't at all impressed or excited by my exceptional angling ability. A casual bystander might have thought that they didn't even know I existed.

Yes, it was awkward for us all.

At times like this, it's hard for an angler to figure out the best course of action. Sure, I was there first and the fishing was very good. But there's much more to it than that. If I had stayed there any longer, I would have run the risk of being objectified – something I have successfully avoided up till this point in my life.

But even leaving was fraught with risk.

For one thing, I had to raise the anchor. And, as anyone who has ever seen a middle-aged man raise an anchor knows, this is a highly erotic endeavour. The sensuous

sounds of a back going out are often enough to drive most bikini clad women wild. But, again, much to their credit, they showed restraint.

Frankly, I was amazed. When I think of how tempting it must have been for those women to whistle at my final cast, which landed clearly within striking distance of a log that obviously harboured fish, I am led to believe that sexist behaviour is almost a thing of the past.

And this speaks well of the younger generation. And the convent that they were trained in.

Sure, every fibre of their being was screaming out that they should comment on my apparent fishing skills. Yet they just sat there pretending to ignore the white elephant in the room – even after I landed that 16-inch bass.

You have to hand it to them. After all, a lot of people would fantasize in situations like this.



Steve Galea
Loon Tales

points of view

Bargain hunting

DESPERATELY SUCKING UP their drinks, Scott and Lia plowed on through the early morning light. Mist still hung over much of the countryside, the remnant of a cool August night on the heels of a steamy August day. Given the choice, Scott and Lia would still be sleeping, oblivious to the birdsong outside their bedroom window. Instead, coffees at hand, they were suffering the twists and turns of the county's backroads, looking for signposts as their old car bumped and heaved its way along. Squeals of excitement and delight rolled at them from the backseats. "Go faster Grandpa!" "There's another sign," and "Are we there yet?"



Sharon Lynch
Down our Road

It had been a long-standing promise that when Sara, Liam and Sadie came for a summer visit, their grandparents would take them to yard sales. "There'll be good stuff to buy," Liam had told the others as they set out. Scott said little as they drove. It had been a less than ideal night. Sara had experienced homesickness, crying into her pillow, even while Liam yelled at her to be quiet and Sadie made at least 50 trips to and from the bathroom. The bathroom, situated beside Scott and Lia's bedroom, had an old exhaust fan that clanged

every time it started up, making a sound much like the house falling down around Scott's sleep-deprived head. Now the coffee was starting to take effect. Scott stole a glance at his wife. Lia held the newspaper classified ads in one hand, her coffee mug in the other. She had forgotten her glasses and so while she was supposed to be the navigator, the signs remained illusive. But despite the sleep deprivation, distracting sounds from the backseat and lack of visual clarity, they were able to find a yard/garage sale. The fact that they almost drove right past it, made the find all the more exciting. "There, there," shouted Sadie into Scott's ear, causing him to jam on the brakes, then glance furtively in his rear view mirror in case he had been followed. Pulling onto the shoulder, the five of them trooped from the car. They were not alone.

"Wow look at all the people," noted Lia to her husband, who still clung to his coffee cup. Scott thought she was starting to get into the spirit of their excursion more than he was, as with barely a backward glance she headed for a jumble of baskets. The three children went in three different directions: small toys, books and movies. Scott, on the slow road to full wakefulness, noted old tools spread out on a wooden table near the garage. He decided that he might as well walk in that direction. He had nothing better to do. A few minutes later he saw Sara dragging an ancient kitchen chair toward him. She wanted to buy it for her father to sit on when he read the paper in the bathroom. Fortunately Liam waylaid her and told her it was dumb idea, causing her to burst into tears before spying a Barbie doll in mint condition.

Now Lia emerged from the crowd clustered around the money table and she was beaming despite her burden of a few dozen baskets. "Look at these beauties Scott," she exclaimed excitedly. "And I got the whole bunch for only \$5." Before he could reply, she went on, "Do you see anything you like?"

He had to admit there was an old wood planer that had caught his eye. As he reached out to pick it up, another hand got there ahead of him. Turning to see who the quicker hand belonged to, Scott came face-to-face with his neighbour. A notorious cheapskate, the neighbour smiled smugly as he greeted Scott and Lia with a cheery "Good morning." By now the three children had joined their grandparents, with everyone except Scott clutching their bargains. Making their way back to the old car, the children gloated over their finds. Lia continued to grin about her baskets. Scott said nothing. They loaded the trunk with Sara noting there was still lots of room in there.

"That's good," Scott replied as everyone buckled up. "Because I still have to find something for myself. So let's go on to the next one." And with a whoop from the backseat, they were off.



pic of the past

Tom Hodgson sent in this picture of the Cochrane family at Haliburton Lake in 1982. From left to right, Gordon, Erin, Chris, Courtney, Ilsa and Arthur. Arthur and Elsa bought property on Haliburton Lake in the early 1950s from Tom's father Clayton Hodgson. Rev. Cochrane, professor of religion at Dubuque University Iowa, volunteered as a cottager to share preaching at the Fort Irwin Hall on Sundays with his brother Rev. Charles and Rev. Candy. Today, Gordon and Chris have become very active in the Haliburton community while enjoying their cottage.

letters to the editor

What happened to small town business?

To the Editor,

After a recent experience, I feel compelled to make a comment about the topic of "shopping locally" and "keeping your business in town".

I have had a similar experience on previous occasions, but never took the time to comment on it. This last time was the straw that broke the camel's back.

I have in mind one particular local business that this has happened in more than once, but I am probably not amiss in assuming that it takes place elsewhere also. One has to wonder why some people are even in business, and what ever happened to the concept of good customer service.

On a recent visit to a certain store (which shall remain unnamed), I found something that I was very interested in purchasing. Unfortunately, there was no price on this item. There was no one in my immediate area, so I had to go searching for someone to assist me. When I did find an employee, they had no idea what the price of the merchandise was, so they went off with the item to ask someone else. When they returned, item in hand, they quoted me a "guessimate" at best ... and something that seemed, to me, a little exhorbitant. When I asked if there was no one "in charge" to look up the correct price, I was told that the manager wouldn't be around until later that after-

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Great story with a reminder

To the Editor,

Congratulations to Jenn Watt for her points of view in this weeks' *Echo*. I also applaud Highlands East for their feral cat initiative, with the help of a very few dedicated volunteers they have created a safe place for these unfortunate feline. Highlands East - you are indeed a model the other municipalities should look at, and perhaps consider following.

The two-page story and photos of the cat colony and their dedicated volunteer is heart warming. My thanks to Jenn for bringing this to the readers and reminding them that some of the animals are "throw aways" who once knew a home and are adoptable.

"A country or civilization can be judged by the way it treats its animals."

Joan Cameron
Haliburton

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letters

Technology - good, bad and ugly

To the Editor,

RE: Catherine Dennis's Don't slow down technology letter, Haliburton Echo, Aug. 9

Too many kids stay at home nowadays - they don't go outside to have fun and actually take a few risks, to socialize or to meet real people. Instead, they have gadgets, iPhones, iPads and computer games and texting to waste their time. Too many are overweight and lazy and lack imagination. Parents are somewhat to blame because for a generation or two they have been telling their kids they should never talk to strangers, that they should never take risks, that they should stay inside where it's "safe" and that outside someone might get hurt. They should be taught about the real world, that life is full of fun and risk and the unexpected and strangers and SO unlike what you see in the movies; it's full of idiosyncrasies which never conform to any computer model.

Kids aren't forced to use their imagination, they're never told to "get lost" until supper time and "don't get into trouble." You can drive from one end of this county to another and never see a kids playing outside in some made-up game or in the bush, in a snowball fight or skating on one of our winter lakes.

Too many people have never experienced the tranquility of a lake at night where there was no other sound but a loon's haunting cry across the waters. Where you can be with a few friends at that same lake and share stories over a small fire beside a tent or a lean-to made of brush? Few have ever canoed up the chain of lakes, portages and all, on a three or four day trek with nothing but your own wits to work with. Winter brings its own challenges for such a trip.

Pity there are those who advocate our county should be clear cut, paved over and wired solidly for every conceivable communications device, if not, that every lake should be choked full of Ski-doo's, ATVs, motor boats, noise of all kinds, all lakes rimmed with development with blaring boom-boxes and TVs without concern for others or the damage they do; it's only about themselves.

Of course business needs technology, so do doctors to be attracted to the area what community doesn't? However, techno-toys ought to be treated as an addiction.

**Eddie Burke
Minden**

Try a little harder

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noon, "probably some time after 2 p.m." So off I went, leaving the item behind, in hopes that upon my return there would be someone there who could actually be of real help. When I did go back later that day, around 4 p.m., there was still no manager on the premises. I saw the service of the staff as apathetic, at best. So a sale was lost.

If we are to continue shopping locally, and keep our business in town, perhaps local merchants should try a little harder to provide good customer service, as well as making sure that their merchandise is properly priced, which would be a very good start. I know that this is not true of every business, so I am not pointing the finger at those who are already doing this. But for the others, perhaps they could take this advice and run with it.

**Gaye Botticella
Minden**

Young boy raising money for animals

Mary Wilcox

Special to the *Echo*

Aiden Wilcox, a former Haliburton resident and current Medeba camper, started his fundraising initiative last year because of a campaign his church ran called Do a Dare for Africa where you dare yourself to do something abnormal or that you would not normally do, to help motivate others to support those less fortunate than ourselves.

Aiden's dare was dying his hair pink and he (with the support of many neighbours, friends and family) raised \$900 to help education in Uganda, Africa.

This past school year, after going to a teacher talent show fundraiser to raise money for a new animal shelter, he decided he wanted to help the cause and donate some of his own money. Aiden loves animals and wants to be a vet when he grows up.

Aiden learned in the presentation, done by Sonia Mailhot, one of his teachers at R.H. Cornish, that they were running out of room in the shelter. Ms. Mailhot was fostering nine kittens and two cats due to lack of space at the shelter.

Later in the summer, Aiden and his mom got the idea that maybe he could die his hair again but this time in support of the shelter, so his mom called Ms. Mailhot to get some more information.

They then found out that it was the Kawartha Lakes shelter she was raising money for this year, but Ms. Mailhot would be doing the same fundraiser in 2012 at R.H. Cornish to support the Port Perry shelter. The talent show and other class fundraisers raised enough money to buy two \$500 bricks for the Humane Society of Kawartha Lakes Brick campaign www.hskl.ca.

When Aiden heard that the Kawartha Lakes shelter had to stop construction due to lack of funds he decided he needed to help that shelter this year, and could then do a third campaign in 2012 to help the Uxbridge/Port Perry Shelter, who also need to build a bigger facility, but have not started construction yet and are at the beginning of a three to five year plan.

He will be dying his hair pink and lime green at the end of August.

Relative to the 2012 Uxbridge-Scugog Shelter campaign Aiden is offering a fun opportunity to this year's donors. Anyone who makes a minimum \$10 donation can vote for the colours he will die his hair in 2012. This year it will be pink with fluorescent green. The choices you can pick from for next year are turquoise, purple, green, rainbow or zebra.

At this time the closest low cost spay/neuter clinics that exist are in Newmarket and Barrie, which means that the Kawartha Lakes shelter will be the closest clinic for Durham, Haliburton, Peterborough, and the like.

Aiden found out that the Kawartha Lakes Shelter is the one that serves Haliburton which is the beloved town that Aiden's family lived in for 18 years before moving to the Durham area when he was six. Aiden has attended Camp Medeba in the Haliburton area for the past five years since he moved.

Aiden also got a wonderful confirmation that he was doing the right thing helping to raise funds for this cause a few weeks after he decided to do it. A lost and drenched dog showed up in his neighborhood without a tag, after a bad rainstorm.

Their local shelter was not open because it was a Sunday so Aiden's family took in the dog and left a message for shelter. With the help of the shelter the lost dog's owner with her two very happy, relieved and appreciative children picked their dog up from the Wilcox home the next day. It was a first hand lesson and confirmation of the benefits and blessings that an animal shelter provides to communities and pet owners.

Aiden's goal is to raise \$1,000 to help the shelter. All and any donations are appreciated if you would like to support him. Aiden is accepting donations until the end of September. For more information please email aidensfundraiser@hotmail.com or you can google "events facebook" and search "Aiden's Animal Shelter Fundraiser" to make a secure debit or credit card donation.



Mary Wilcox Special to the *Echo*

Aiden Wilcox plans to raise money for the Kawartha Lakes animal shelter this summer by dying his hair different colours. Aiden plans to raise \$1,000.

Hospice volunteer reflects on enriching experience

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

When Jan Tedford signed up to be a volunteer with hospice she didn't think she was the right person for the job.

Now five years later the experience has left an impression that will last a lifetime.

Tedford, 67, moved up to Haliburton with her husband 33 years ago.

After working a number of jobs throughout the community including a 16-year position at Pinestone Resort, Tedford retired at the age of 59.

Once retired she wanted to give back to a community that had long supported her.

"I wasn't looking for anything to do but I knew I had to fill my life with something different," said Tedford.

An advertisement for hospice in *the Echo* caught her eye and not long after Tedford found herself signing up for the training required to become a volunteer.

"I thought, well I can do that."

One of the things that appealed to her was the flexibility of the program.

Facilitated through SIRCH Community Services, the training Tedford was required to complete specifically dealt with death and bereavement.

"They were heavy. I hadn't gone through the process yet in my life so it really hit me hard," she said.

Deciding the program wasn't for her, Ted-

ford quit, only to find herself being encouraged to sign up again the following year.

"They thought I did have the qualifications to be a volunteer and that I should give myself another chance. I returned and I never looked back."

During the past five years, Tedford has dedicated four hours a week to her volunteer duties, which include visiting clients with Alzheimer's.

One of the main purposes of her visits is to offer her client's caregivers some time to themselves.

She offers encouragement, companionship and her listening skills.

"Part of SIRCH's program is to match you with similar personalities. So far it's been perfect," she said.

The experience has been both rewarding and fulfilling and one Tedford would not hesitate to recommend to those considering it.

"People sometimes say they volunteer because they want to give back and that was part of my goal. But I have received far more than I have given."

The hospice program has been operating in Haliburton County through SIRCH since 1989 and currently serves 89 clients and 200 family members and caregivers, according to Nancy Brownsberger, community coordinator with the organization.

As of this fall the program will be expanded to become a joint effort between SIRCH and the Haliburton Highlands



A resident of Haliburton for the past 33 years, Jan Tedford has spent the last five of those years as a volunteer with hospice care through SIRCH Community Services. The experience, she says, has been both rewarding and fulfilling.

Angelica Blenich Echo staff

Health Services.

"There will be palliative beds located in the hospital that will be supported by our volunteers," said Brownsberger.

As a result of the expansion of the hospice program the organization is seeking additional volunteers.

"We're really excited about this venture. We are looking for caring, compassionate individuals that are interested in being a support to individuals that have serious or life-threatening illness and that would be willing to donate some of their time."

The commitment requires approximately four hours a week said Brownsberger.

Volunteers will be given in-depth training to prepare for the role and supported by a coordinator.

"We'll offer ongoing education and workshops for our volunteers," she said.

Those interested in volunteering with hospice are encouraged to contact SIRCH at 705-457-1742 or email info@sirch.on.ca.

More information on the organization and other volunteer opportunities can be found at www.sirch.on.ca.



Canoe FM hoe down a stompin' success

The roof was nearly blown off the Minden Hills Community Centre when fiddling sensation Linsey Beckett joined Johnny Burke and Eastwind on stage during the annual Canoe FM Country Music Hoe Down on Aug. 13.

Performing a variety of country and swing tunes, Beckett's feet were just as fast as her fingers and to the delight of the crowd, she burst into bouts of step dancing during the performance.

The annual event is one of Canoe FM's biggest fundraisers. Paul Weber also performed.

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Highlanders offering unique experience

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

For some it's a high-pitched whine and for others it is the sweet sound of Scotland.

Everyone in Haliburton who has ever gone to a parade and virtually any major event knows the sound of the bagpipes because of the Haliburton Highlanders Pipes and Drum Band.

The band is welcoming new members to share the family-like atmosphere, the unique experience that connects the band to the community and an opportunity to learn the bagpipes or the drums for free.

Without a specific type, the band is made up of a variety of people from children to retirees, but the one constant is the love they share for the combined sound of the bagpipes and the drums, which produces a powerful sound harkening back centuries, conjuring up images of childhood and Scotland.

Earl Cooper, the former pipe major and founder of the band, is synonymous with every major event in Haliburton for close to four decades, playing his bagpipes.

Raised in West Guilford, Cooper, 84, has always believed



Darren Lum Echo staff

Left, Jim Milne has been a member of the Haliburton Highlanders Pipes and Drums Band for 21 years and was motivated to join because of his daughter, who played with the band in the late-1980s in giving back with the band since its inception on St. Andrew's Day, Nov. 30, 1970.

For him the band not only represents the community, but also has enabled anyone interested in playing the bagpipes an opportunity to learn.

After more than three decades of teaching, Cooper loves it and just sees it as a natural thing.

"It's kind of natural to want to teach. If you got something good you want to pass it on to somebody else," he said.

Among the many students Cooper has taught over the years is Ken Ibbotson, who continues to play with the band despite living in Bobcaygeon.

The self-taught bagpipe player has always had an appreciation for the polarizing instrument of Scottish heritage.

It's either "appeal or appall," said Cooper.

He's always loved the instrument and every now and

then would even sneak away from his work for them.

"There were times I was off piping when I should have been working on the farm," he said. "I still love the sound of the pipes. I like to hear them and play them."

Among his favourite tunes to hear or play are *Bonnie Dundee*, which was his dad's favourite, and *Colonel Robertson*.

He was just 11 years old when he heard the bagpipes while standing with hundreds.

It was during the welcoming of King George VI of England and Queen Elizabeth to Toronto when he heard the bagpipes for the first time played by the Toronto Scottish band at Riverdale Park in 1938.

"It was a sound I'd never heard. It sounded wonderful to me," he said.

Like Cooper, the band's newest member Terry Craig fell in love with the instrument as a child. With his grandfather's bagpipes held under his arm, the local artist said the sound of the bagpipes takes him back in time.

"I find it very comforting. It reminds me of my childhood," he said, adding his father was an OPP officer that participated in parades where the bagpipes were always played. "I'm the first member of my family since my grandfather to have picked them up and actually played them."

He's owned his set of Scottish bagpipes for 12 years and has always wanted to join the band since moving to the area from Toronto several years ago.

"They've always met on Tuesday nights and I've always worked Tuesday nights forever so they moved to Monday

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Pipes and Drum band for those of all ages and backgrounds

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nights so I was finally able to join," he said. "It's awful hard to learn to play it by yourself. It's a lot easier with somebody."

Craig has been playing since March.

During the summer the band meets at the Haliburton town docks every Monday at 6:30 p.m. It moves into the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton after the summer.

Craig, who does not know how to play any other instrument and is in the process of learning how to read music, challenges the notion the instrument is difficult to play.

"If you can play the recorder you're halfway there," he said about learning on the practice chanter – an instrument used to learn the bagpipes that excludes the bag.

He and his daughter, Anabelle, who has joined with him in learning to play the drums, hope to march together, playing in the band for the coming Haliburton Christmas parade.

"We'll be broken hearted if we can't," he said, laughing.

The current pipe major Andrew Mansfield of Cardiff, who is originally from the Minden area, appreciates this music for its power and the fulfillment it brings him culturally, and musically.

"Not everyone likes it, but if you appreciate it it certainly can be powerful and heart warming," he said. "We are in the Haliburton Highlands. There is a strong Scottish culture here."

The Highland Games, which features the Highlanders and visiting bands, has been a successful event, epitomizing the connection the band has with the community, he said.

He remembers some anxiety performing publicly when he started with the band more than 15 years ago as a 12-year-old on the field, surrounded by hundreds of people, staring.

"It's stimulating. It's scary as anything," he said.

Mansfield is proud of the band and likens the Highlanders to a family.

"There are lots of life lessons. It's a great community," he said. "These guys look after each other like you wouldn't believe. We spend hours every week for years and years. It's a good strong feeling."

He said if people commit to the weekly lesson and practice on their own that it is highly likely that person will be playing the bagpipes in a year.

Alternately, those who are not inclined to play the bagpipes can choose to play the drums, he

adds. He points out that the band offers free lessons and the necessary equipment to get started to anyone from a child to a senior.

Cooper said there are various levels of mastery, but virtually anyone can play the bagpipes.

Mastering any musical instrument requires investment of time, consistent practice, patience and dedication, including finger dexterity, he said.

Cameron Ferguson, originally of Port Glasgow, Scotland, who has loved the bagpipes since he was eight-years-old, smiles when he thinks of them.

"To me it is a fantastic and kind of unusual instrument to learn," he said, adding that in school most want to play instruments such as a trumpet.

"Personally, ... it's certainly something ever since I've been young I've had a passion for it. From when I was eight [I thought] how can these people keep these things going? As time goes on I've met so many people. I've travelled all over the place," he said.

Ferguson has played and taught the bagpipes for years. He said for anyone who learns there seems to be a common sense of accomplishment and a connection to the community through joining pipe bands.

Born and raised in Scotland, he moved from England to Ottawa in 2004 and came to Haliburton in 2008. He joined the band thereafter.

Tenor drummer Corina Hall, who also plays with the North Hastings Highlanders in Bancroft, has rejoined the band after being away for a few years. She loves it and understands the community's love for it as well.

"We just did a parade in Bancroft and I thought to myself: I've never seen the pipes and drums do a parade in Bancroft, but in Haliburton if [the Haliburton Highlanders Pipes and Drums] weren't there there'd probably be like an uproar. People just expect them to be at every event, everything that goes on ... They show up on their own time and they love it," she said.

To contact the band for information email haliburtonhighlanders@hotmail.com.



Darren Lum Echo staff

Haliburton Highlanders Pipes and Drums newest member, left, Terry Craig shares a laugh after practice with pipe major, Andrew Mansfield on a Monday practice session held at the Haliburton town docks earlier this summer. Mansfield encourages anyone interested to play the bagpipes or the drums to join, as there is no cost and free lessons are offered.

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The hands of graphic designer, Griffin Surette, who joined the Haliburton Highlanders Pipes and Drum band three years ago because of his two daughters, shows the fingering and the aspect of his identity. The members are as unique as their love for the music they play.



Celeb for a cause

Canadian Olympian figure skater Kurt Browning made an appearance for the inaugural Volunteer Dental Outreach Golf Tournament, which raised approximately \$20,000 for the free dental clinic, held at the Blairhampton Golf Club on Thursday, Aug. 18. There were 120 golfers and the event included a lunch, auction and silent auction. Browning had just arrived in Canada from an eight-day trip in South Korea for a skating event and television show. His appearance was made possible because of his friendship with Bill and Lisa Kerr.

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Fishstock organizer and new member of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association board of directors John Teljeur answers questions during the annual general meeting.

Cash flow a concern for outdoors association

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association will be fishing for some much-needed cash in the upcoming year.

The association, which operates the Haliburton Fish Hatchery, held its annual general meeting on Aug. 21 and the news, at least from a financial standpoint, was not good.

President Bill Beatty told members it had been “a pretty busy and pretty rough year. Financially, we’re not in good shape at all.”

The association has an annual operating budget of approximately \$80,000 and is losing substantial funding sources.

This year completes a four-year funding agreement with Haliburton County at \$20,000 per annum and while it received \$12,000 in funding from the Ministry of Natural Resources this year (less than the \$25,000 a year it used to receive), it will receive nothing from the ministry in 2012.

Members will be approaching county council closer to budget time asking that the county continue to support the hatchery.

According to treasurer John Ball, the association spent about \$10,000 more than it took in during the past year, which seems to be a trend.

If the association were to take the \$86,000 for its upcoming year’s budget out of the bank today, it would have approximately \$9,000.

“What that means, I guess, is a lot of work to be done,” Beatty said.

The hatchery’s roof needs work, with Ball receiving cost estimates of between \$5,000 and \$15,000 for the work.

Fishstock, a fundraising concert held on Aug. 13 at the hatchery brought a number of big-name blues acts to the county, but failed to bring in any money.

In fact, the event lost money.

Organizer John Teljeur, who was elected to the association’s board during the meeting, said it was still unclear how much money Fishstock had lost, but maintained

it had not been a flop.

“Fishstock, regardless of whether it made money or not, was successful,” Teljeur said, stressing the event had gained the association a lot of exposure.

He said some personalities, including fishing show host Angelo Viola, had already expressed interest in attending the event next year.

The association cosigned a \$7,500 loan for the event.

“With two months to organize, it was going to be tough sledding all the way . . . and obviously that was the end result,” said Teljeur, who hoped as many as 1,000 people would attend.

Attendance levels were well below that.

Teljeur said he’d learned a lot and is confident the event can still be successful, potentially bringing in between \$40,000 and \$60,000 for the hatchery.

If the association “repackaged” the hatchery a bit to make it more of a tourist destination, he believes the association could take more advantage of grant programs.

One member commended Teljeur for his hard work on Fishstock and said he’d heard nothing but positive response from the community.

“I think, like you say, this is a stepping stone,” the man said.

Another man criticized the fact the event had been held on the same day as Canoe FM’s annual Country Music Hoe Down fundraiser.

The hatchery, started in 2000, raises rainbow trout and the Haliburton Gold species.

While this year the walleye used to stock area lakes were brought in from a hatchery in White Lake, hatchery committee chairman Rex Henry said the association would go back to raising walleye locally this season.

The hatchery is staffed by a contingent of 40 volunteers and Beatty stressed the association is always looking for more to help out.

To find out more about the association and the hatchery, visit www.hhoa.on.ca.

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Leaving behind the power of hope

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Lindsey Hawley wipes away tears as she recounts the past few weeks and the hope she left behind on a Christian mission to Africa in July.

When the 19-year-old Haliburton resident went to Africa she never imagined what impact she would make, when all she expected was have an experience she would never forget.

"We really gave them hope," she said. "I didn't expect them to take to a lot of the stories that we told them. Sunday school is great. I think going to church is great, but the kids related to the Bible stories that we told them. It was surprising. A couple of them burst into tears and they were so touched by the stories I was just like surprised by how they related to it."

The first-year Ottawa University student recently came back from a two-and-a-half week mission helping orphans in a small village of Chongwe, Zambia, as part of a delegation of youth with the Christian organization, Global Expedition.

Hawley and her group read Bible stories, spent time playing and eating with the children between the ages of seven and nine at the orphanage, Every Orphan's Hope.

She added the 5:30 a.m. daily wakeup was one of many challenges, but she was buoyed by the inevitable time she spent with the children, who often referred to her as, *muzungo* - translated as "white person" from the local dialect. Her early start fell well short of the other women in the village, though, who were up an hour earlier to complete chores such as getting the water.

Before she went to Africa, the Haliburton teen had a perception the children there were different, perhaps more mature.

"Teaching them they still got bored. They still were like, 'I want to go to the bathroom.' I don't know why, but I just envisioned African children to be more grown up, but they want to play and they have the same expressions [as children here]. They were hilarious. I just fell in love with them."

For all the things Canadians have it's difficult to remember that what we want is far from what we need, she said.

Their relationship and family come first. Material things were not on the list of wants at all. Anytime she was invited to a home or offered a meal it was expected and customary to eat everything she was given. The



Darren Lum Echo staff

Lindsey Hawley, 19, had an unforgettable experience during a mission to Zambia, working with children at an orphanage in the village of Chongwe for two-and-a-half weeks. Hawley had little travelling experience before this trip and had never been on a plane.

North American youth group adhered to the custom and came back a little heavier than expected.

Her mother, Marilyn, has seen a definite change in her daughter's perspective on life after the trip.

"[Her father] and I were concerned that she was going to look at Haliburton and say, 'I can't handle this. We have so much they have so little.' In a way it would be inspiring, but kind of a downer for her like I feel so sorry for these kids. I asked her about that and she said, 'I don't feel sorry for them. It was a wonderful experience. They don't have what we have and I really appreciate what we have, but we can really learn from them. They have a lot to offer and a lot to

teach us,'" she said.

Family is an important aspect to life in Zambia, as dinners with family are a must.

Hawley's family observes this tradition as well and she identified with the importance.

There were hours in transit on a plane, testing her resolve as a first time flier before the mission.

Her trip started in Texas where a few days were spent training, preparing with Global Expedition. She left with the team and took a plane to Chicago then Washington, Johannesburg and finally in Lusaka, the capital of Zambia, Lindsey boarded a bus for a two-hour bus ride to the village of Chongwe with only several buildings and

huts.

"Villages there were like five huts, which was different for me. They were what I envisioned as a village. Haliburton is called a village, but THAT was a village," she laughs.

A two-hour bus ride from the airport in Lusaka was easy compared to the extreme temperatures from sweltering days and the freezing nights of their "dry season," which left Hawley frigid despite three layers she wore, including two pairs of socks.

Without realizing it, she had already experienced the support of community through the fundraising efforts for this trip, which came in the form of sponsorships from several churches in Haliburton and

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Left, Haliburton teen Lindsey Hawley will never forget the children she met in the small village of Chongwe, Zambia during a mission for the Christian group, Global Expeditions.

Below, Chongwe children look into the digital camera along with Hawley.

Photos submitted by Lindsey Hawley



From Haliburton to Chongwe, Zambia, with love

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Minden, including the entire month off from her summer employers of the V&S Stedman's and Rexall.

The entire trip cost more than \$5,000, but was supplemented with the \$4,700 fundraised with the balance covered by the Hawleys, which included immunization and return airfare from Texas.

Surprisingly some of the food was similar, such as spaghetti. Of course it had it's own local flair with spices to match the local palate. And then, there was the staple dish, sheema, which is a mix of flour and water that is dipped into sauce.

It resembled a mashed potato, she said, and has vegetables added to it before dipped and is locally referred to as "sheema and veg."

From when she sent the application, which started several months ago to the acceptance, it was all rather quick; too quick for her parents.

The entire process took two days, urged on by Hawley's anxiousness to complete the process. Her parents weren't sure about letting their daughter (one of five children) go at first.

They kept their reservations to themselves, hoping her enthusiasm would wane with time.

It backfired.

They never realized their silence would execute the same result.

The incidents of culture clash were not dramatic, yet made more significant.

During a trip to a hot spring to get water she and her delegation came upon a four-year-old girl. They showered her with attention, regarding her as cute, treating her like a child.

When the young girl left she lifted a bucket of water to her head and drifted away, taking the misconceptions of the North Americans with her.

"Oh, wow, I don't think I can carry that. That was something like, 'I'm in Zambia.' They really don't do things the same," Hawley said.

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Both of our cultures just laughed at each other. It was a sweet moment.

— Lindsey Hawley

In another instance Hawley was reminded of the culture gap.

"This women came up to us with a huge pile of clothes on her head and we had our backpacks. She came up to us and asked, 'Do those backpacks hurt your back. Like carrying them around like that. It was such a cute moment. They have such perfect posture when they're carrying things on their heads while we're like slouching ... she just giggled. Both of our cultures are just laughing at each other. It was a sweet moment," she said.

When she returned and came off the airplane her mother noticed she was still covered with the earth of Zambia, which has a tendency to stick to skin despite cleaning.

It's fitting as she left behind new friends and a memorable experience she never realized how much the Zambians had stayed with her.

There is, she said, a saying, "Americans have the watches and Zambians have the time."

"Zambians want to sit with you. They want to tell you their life story. They want to be your friend," she said. "Sometimes your schedule would be thrown into the wind. Just be ready for that ... you put people first. I loved that."



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Forest Festival full of soul

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Toronto's Grooveyard injected the logging museum at the Haliburton Forest with heaps of funk and soul when they played as part of this year's Forest Festival on Aug. 20.

The group played a number of jazz-infused pop, reggae and even folk tunes, covering artists from Michael Jackson to Neil Young. Other musicians who played during the four days of music included TorQ Percussion Quartet, The Spinney Brothers, Russell DeCarle, Patricia O'Callaghan, the Dave Young Quartet and Sultans of String.

The festival wrapped up Sunday.



Chad Ingram Echo staff

Toronto-based group Grooveyard lights up the stage for the Forest Festival on Aug. 20. Here, bassist Mike Pellarin and lead singer and saxophonist Lester McLean perform some call and answer.



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Grooveyard guitarist Michael Occhipinti performs a solo for the Forest Festival on Aug. 20.

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Justice of the Peace Donna Doelman heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice, in Napanee, on Aug. 17, 2011.

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Third year for environment day

Shirley McCormick
Special to the *Echo*

Bryson's Marine – located on County Road 21 where Lake Kashagawigamog meets Soyers Lake – hosted Environment Day with a complementary barbecue on Saturday. The outdoor event drew passersby and residents to learn about enhancing natural systems and improving water quality. The Lake Kashagawigamog Organization (LKO), composed of a group of seasonal and permanent landowners and businesses surrounding the lake, first offered Environment Day two years ago. In 2011, they shared hosting with the Soyers Lake Ratepayers Association (SLRA). There are plans to expand Environment Day, with participation from other organizations within the watershed in future.

Environment Day was the brainchild of long-time LKO lake steward Rob Davis, who had dug up small trees and shrubs from road and hydro allowances to provide them free to attendees. "The white pine and hemlock went quickly," he said, "But red osier dogwood and cedar are still available." Davis pointed out some waist-high shoreline restoration work at the marina. "Those were planted at our first Environment Day," he said, pleased with the two-metre buffer of sweet gale and other vegetation growing at the water's edge, preventing erosion.

LKO lake co-steward Marg Cox was enthusiastic about the expanding awareness of people's impact on the environment. "Environment Day helps us get the message of lake stewardship directly to the lakeside residents," she said. She spoke on the benefits of protecting shorelines, through passive acts such as retaining trees on properties. "They are very important to

the environment. Trees absorb pollutants before they reach the water."

President Len Logozar agreed. Both he and Cox are in favour of a county-wide tree cutting bylaw. "Trees bind the soil and help retain the shoreline. Educating all property owners around a lake will help to preserve the quality of the water. This is our focus," Logozar said.

"Environment Day is about reflecting the values of the people in the area," LKO lake co-steward MacLeod said. He pointed out values such as good water quality, habitat for fish and wildlife, experiencing nature, and the often-overlooked enjoyment to be had in quiet places and nocturnal darkness. In addition to being a large contributor to the economy in the region, Lake Kashagawigamog, one of the largest in Haliburton County, is home to a variety of wildlife that includes owls, loons, kingfishers, flying squirrels and other mammals, and fish such as whitefish, bass, pike, muskellunge and walleye.

Case Bassie, representative of the SLRA, was pleased to have Soyers Lake area residents taking part in this year's activities. "Haliburton is famous for its pristine lakes," he said. "This day is about educating people with lakeshore properties on how to maintain the lake quality. People place tremendous stress upon the environment with our septic systems, and our impact in the riparian areas," he said, referring to the significant cushion of vegetation above the shoreline, up to the surrounding lands.

Several people were available at each booth offering advice, services and products related to the environment. Acting Stewardship Council coordinator, Justin Bryant of the MNR was on hand with information. Cathy Lofgreen of the LKO board provided advice on environmental prod-

ucts, and handed out trees and shrubs for residents to plant along their shorelines.

Angie Horner of the Lakeland Alliance explained the benefits of participating in the Shoreline Adviser Program, which offers free, personalized visits to shoreline properties. Available in Haliburton through Mike Gibbs of Peterborough Green-Up, this confidential and non-governmental service offers tips on naturalizing shoreline, maintaining a healthy septic system, and protecting or enhancing littoral zones. Simply retaining rocks and logs in the water's edge provides habitat for fish and other aquatic species. A free written assessment is provided, and a follow-up visit is offered so property owners can be re-assessed to find out how they are doing as lake stewards.

Bill and Maureen Chandler chatted with Horner about the Shoreline Adviser Program. The couple have visited Lake Kashagawigamog since 1965, and in 1995 became permanent residents. Bill volun-

teered as treasurer of LKO for many years and worked on the initial numbering system of properties around the lake, even producing a detailed mapping of Kashag, as the lake is affectionately referred to by locals. Inside Bryson's Marine, Glenda Bryson assisted a customer with one of the Eco-Ethic products they carry for septic and home use. The marina's work in renovating the shoreline, the safe handling of oil products, and hosting the annual Environment Day have contributed to their gold rating in environmentally sound business practices. Begun in 1998 as a joint effort of industry, academia and governments, the Clean Marine Project is a certification and audit program that encourages stakeholders to protect the environment. Bryson's is proud of the recognition. With a smile, Glenda Bryson said, "We're working our way up to platinum."



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Children burst from the starting line of the one-kilometre kids' race that was part of the 14th annual Kash End of Summer Dash on Aug. 21. The event, which also included a 10-kilometre race, was a fundraiser for Canadian Physicians for Aid and Relief and was organized by local doctor Steve Ferracuti.

Having a blast at the Kash Dash

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Music notes: Of zuchs, cucs and ukes

IF YOU ARE a gardener you will know that this time of year the garden abounds with zucchinis and cucumbers.

There is only so much that can be made from the harvest, and even the neighbours have their limits! In the world of music, a similar thing seems to be happening with ukuleles.

There is a true resurgence in their popularity, to the point where many establishments across North America are holding weekly "uke nights" where all are invited to bring their ukes and play along. These events are very popular.

Greg Roe



Music Notes

Usually associated with Hawaii, the roots of the ukulele are actually on the other side of the world, Portugal to be specific.

The first ukuleles are generally credited to three Portuguese craftsmen who arrived in Hawaii aboard the British vessel, the *Raven-scrag* in 1879. Manuel Nunes, Joao Fernandes and Augustine Dias had come to work in the sugar cane

fields.

They brought with them traditional Portuguese instruments known as the *braguinha* and the *rajao*. The Hawaiians were captivated by their beautiful sounds and the

speed with which the players' fingers flew across the fingerboard. They named the instruments "ukulele" which roughly translates to "jumping flea." Over time the three craftsmen made adaptations to their instruments eventually creating the ukulele we know today.

The ukes popularity grew quickly in Hawaii and became synonymous with Hawaiian music. Its popularity on the mainland began with the Panama Pacific International Exposition held in San Francisco in 1915.

Featured in the Hawaiian pavilion, the ukulele quickly became the rage. During the Jazz Age of the 1920s the portability and relative inexpensiveness made it very popular with amateur players of the time. Eventually big name guitar makers like Gibson

and Martin began producing ukuleles and today some of these vintage instruments are quite valuable, so you may want to take another look in Granny's attic, just in case!

When speaking of ukulele players, names like George Formby, Roy Smeck and, of course, Tiny Tim come up. George Harrison of the Beatles was also a big ukulele fan and he always travelled with two ukes so that others would be able to play along with him. There is even a Ukulele Hall of Fame that is worth taking a look at if your interests piqued.

So, while you can't make bread, salads, soups or pickles with a ukulele, like you can with zucchinis and cucumbers the thought of being serenaded while doing so has definite appeal. So until next month, *aloha*.

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Chris Moule Special to the Echo

Sarah MacDougall plays to a small gathering at Highland Grove's Magnificent Hill. The show represents the first step in MacDougall's international CD-release tour.

First step of tour enchanting

Chris Moule
Special to the Echo

From the Yukon to Highlands East, Sarah MacDougall literally enchanted a small, intimate gathering on Saturday evening, Aug. 13, with her acoustic plucking and vocal prowess. For the Sweden-born folk singer, Highland Grove's Magnificent Hill – an organic farm and backpacker's haven – was the first destination on her CD-release tour that will take her not only on a whirlwind voyage throughout Ontario, but also through Europe. It was an honour of sorts that the first step of the journey landed here.

Without amplifiers or even a microphone, MacDougall took her acoustic guitar to a small, outdoor stage lit by a single, dangling lightbulb to sing about life, love and death, keeping the mood honest but often light-hearted.

For one song the audience howled like a wolf to her chorus and for the next, listened introspectively.

This was live music at its best for those in attendance. Between songs, MacDougall told stories that gave

background to the songs she played, and the songs she played were largely original, many of which were from her newest full-length CD entitled *The Greatest Ones Alive*.

The CD, produced in Vancouver and Whitehorse, sells on her website (<http://sarahmacdougall.com/>) for \$20.

It comes only two years after her 2009 debut album entitled *Across the Atlantic* for which she received enthusiastic reviews from critics.

It was during the tour for her 2009 album that MacDougall says she "got stuck" in the Yukon, where she currently lives.

"It's cold and it's dark, and I like the extremes," she says, adding later, however, that she was really glad to be visiting Ontario, particularly in Highland Grove, with all the green and beauty.

MacDougall says she got the gig to play at Magnificent Hill through a connection with her fellow musician and friend, Kate Reid, who also played at the farm in April.

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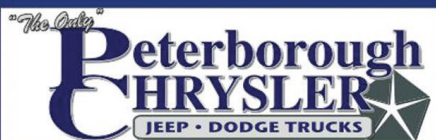
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Hanging it out

Clockwise, from bottom left, Haliburton's Gavin Hicks sits, waiting to execute a few tricks; Tommy Bailey of Haliburton pulls off a kickflip on a wakeskate; Bailey speeds across the water, excited; Logan Enright, a Minden cottager, holds his board during an aerial in preparation for the Sharpley Source for Sports Open Ontario Provincial Championships for wakeboarding and wakeskating held in Haliburton on Saturday, Aug. 20. Photos by Darren Lum



Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Haliburton resident wakeboarder Gavin Hicks captured the Ontario Provincial Championship, winning the Sharpley Source for Sports Open in Haliburton on Head Lake on Saturday, Aug. 20. With the win he tied for the overall top spot in the three-event Roots Wakeboard and Wake-

skate Series. Other resident riders also found success with Addison Farr winning the Open Men's Wakeskate with Tommy Bailey coming just behind in second. Logan Enright finished third in the intermediate wakeboarding division, Brady Hicks finished fifth and Robbie Hicks was a semi-finalist in their respective divisions. There were 80 riders of varying abilities from novice to pro who competed in the event. For more results see next week's issue.

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Lions share of the food

Volunteers organize food for the Haliburton County Good Food Box in front of the Royal Canadian Legion Haliburton branch on Thursday morning, Aug. 18. There were 173 food boxes distributed. This program, which is facilitated by the Haliburton and District Lions Club, helps to keep shelves filled at the Haliburton, Minden and Cardiff food banks. Call program organizer Mary Lawr for details on a pilot gift certificate program at 705-448-1128. **Darren Lum** Echo staff

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Special guest drops in for School's Cool graduation

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

On Aug. 16 more than 15 children ready to head into kindergarten learned that not only can school be cool but it can be fun as well.

Participants of School's Cool gathered at Stuart Baker Elementary School for a special graduation ceremony as proud parents and loved ones filled the room.

Facilitated through SIRCH Community Services, School's Cool is a program designed to prepare children aged three to five for kindergarten.

This year's program saw participants personally receive graduation certificates with a special seal from the Ministry of Education from Rick Johnson, MPP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock.

"I want to congratulate all of the graduates," said Johnson.



So you think you can dance?

Children take a break during the Haliburton Dance Arts open house/registration day, which was from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., at their new location in Haliburton on Friday, Aug. 19. Their new space located at 41 Maple Avenue (the former Pump Shop) is 2,400 square feet. For more information go to www.haliburtondancearts.ca.

Darren Lum Echo staff

A former chairperson of the Trillium Lakelands District School Board, Johnson expressed his appreciation for the educational program and his belief in its value to a community.

"This is a great program and I want to congratulate the people who put it together. I think it's so important."

Offered in Haliburton County since 1998, the six-week program runs once a year during the summer months in various locations. This year the program was offered in Haliburton and Cardiff.

Well-received by the community, the program often generates a waiting list of interested participants, said Gena Robertson, founder of School's Cool and president of SIRCH.

"The kids that go just love it," said Robertson.

Following the ceremony children headed outside with their loved ones to enjoy some activities as well as cake and treats.

Left, participants of the School's Cool program make their way into the graduation ceremony on Aug. 16 held at Stuart Baker Elementary School.

Right, this year's celebration saw certificates handed to graduates by Rick Johnson, MPP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock.

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MPP candidates spar over jobs numbers

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Special to the Times

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock PC candidate Laurie Scott hit back last week after Liberal incumbent Rick Johnson questioned her "for supporting the reckless PC plan to kill high-paying local jobs in Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock."

Johnson said Ontario had attracted more than \$20 billion of private sector investment in the energy sector since 2010. He said those investments had already created 20,000 jobs and are on track to create 50,000 jobs by the end of 2012 – making Ontario a global clean energy powerhouse. How-

ever, he said while the Ontario Liberals are working for Ontarians to build a clean energy economy for the 21st century, the opposition parties are proposing plans to kill clean energy jobs.

"Right here in our riding there are over 100 clean energy projects that have been brought forward by local farmers and entrepreneurs as a result of the Liberal clean energy plan," Johnson said. "These projects are creating jobs across Ontario, which we need to protect and build upon, instead of destroying."

He said Tim Hudak's PC party "has promised to kill the groundbreaking feed-in-tariff program in Ontario, despite international recognition that it is creating the kind of busi-

ness climate businesses want to invest in. Hudak's scheme would kill the emerging clean energy industry in Ontario and the 50,000 jobs it will create by 2012.

"We are seeing the successful results of the Liberal clean energy plan right here in Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock," Johnson said, "And I call on Laurie Scott to do the right thing and renounce the PC job-killing plan."

Scott said on Monday that Johnson was being misleading. She said "we're going to honour those microFIT contracts for the farmers. We're not going to renege on those contracts." She added that she had heard a lot of complaints from farmers saying they can't get onto the grid and have lost money.

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This white-banded admiral was spotted at Camp Wanakita by Paul Nolan in July of this year.



Above, Paul and Barb Cameron caught this white-tailed deer on Pine Avenue in Haliburton on Aug. 17. Right, Barb Bader saw these loonson Glamor Lake.



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Local mumps case linked to outbreak

With one local case of mumps confirmed, the local health unit is encouraging people to make sure their mumps and measles immunizations are up-to-date.

The confirmed case, a young adult from the area served by the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit, has since recovered. The case is linked to the mumps outbreak in Toronto.

"With this summer's outbreak in Vancouver and now Toronto, it's more important than ever for people to make sure they have had both doses of the MMR vaccine that protects against mumps, as well as measles and rubella," says Diane Dingman, director, communicable disease control for the HKPR District Health Unit.

In Ontario, people born between 1970 and 1991 were likely only offered a single dose of the measles/mumps/rubella (MMR) vaccine as a young child. People born in 1992 or after should have received two doses of the MMR vaccine. To be fully protected from contracting mumps, two doses of MMR vaccine are required. (People born before 1970 are assumed to be immune to mumps through natural infection or exposure.)

Mumps is a highly contagious viral infection that is spread through direct contact with saliva or mucus and is easily transferred when an infected person coughs or sneezes. Symptoms include fever, headache, muscle aches, tiredness, loss of appetite and the painful swelling of one or both salivary glands (located near the jaw line, below the ears). Serious complications can arise from mumps, including meningitis, swelling of the testicles, breasts and ovaries, pancreatitis and deafness. Spontaneous abortion can also occur if the mother is infected in the first trimester of pregnancy.

The infectious period or time that an infected person can transmit mumps to a healthy person, is from seven days

before symptoms appear to about nine days after symptoms appear.

As well as having both doses of the MMR vaccine, Dingman says people can protect themselves from getting or spreading mumps by staying home from work or school if ill, using good hand hygiene, covering their mouths and noses with tissues when sneezing or coughing and not sharing personal items such as eating utensils or drinks.

"Ontario has recently seen mumps cases in post-secondary students and young adults as this group often lives in close contact with other people in residence or a house," Dingman says. "They also may be more inclined to share drinks when going out to clubs or socializing."

To learn whether they require a second dose of the MMR vaccine, people can contact their health care provider or the health unit closest to where they completed high school. To learn more about mumps, visit www.hkpr.on.ca or contact the health unit toll-free at 1-866-888-4577.

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AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held **Monday September 12th, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

- File No. H-038/11
Applicant: Michael BALASKI & L. Velma CRAFTCHICK
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 1, Concession 6, Geographic Township of Guilford
Nature of the Application: New Lot
- File No. H-040/11 & H-041/11
Applicant: Scott LARUE
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 13, Concession 9, Geographic Township of Dysart
Nature of the Application: 2 New Lots
- File No. H-042/11
Applicant: Glenn & Teresa EVANS
Location of the Property: Pt. Lot 17, Concession 8, Geographic Township of Dysart
Nature of the Application: New Lot

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office *by appointment* during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

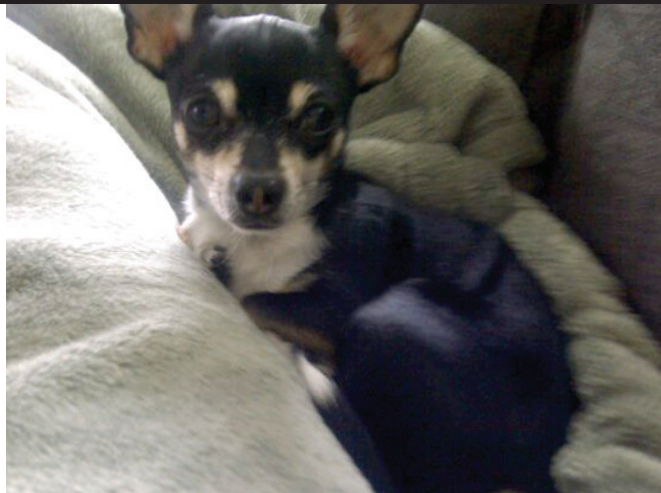
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The Preliminary Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours (9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday) at the Municipality of Highlands East office, Wilberforce, Ontario.

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard in person. The person who wishes to address Council should contact the Township office for delegation time.

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At the same venue special interest vehicles were paraded for the viewers as well. 12 aircrafts arrived on the Sunday and 77 cars for the event. Although there was no rain, the weather was somewhat uncertain, despite which people stayed to enjoy the show and 200 meals were served.

Our sympathy to Colleen Morrison and her daughter Iris Miscio upon the death of her brother, Karl Miller.

On Aug. 17 at 7 p.m. the historical society presented a most interesting program concerning the rescue and rehabilitation of wildlife. Monica Melichar was the knowledgeable speaker. She gave detailed accounts of many of the animals and birds rescued and saved mostly for restoration where possible to their native habitat. Red Rock Circle is the name of the place in Woodlands Wildlife Sanctuary on Duck Lake Road where all this fascinating healing and new life take place. Call 705-286-1133 if you have a creature in need.

The next meeting takes place at Maple Lake United Church on Sept. 22 at 1:30 p.m. with Sheila Ziman's topic of the land rust and its history update.

Congratulations to Shane Lowes of Eagle Lake and Jessica Harpley of Minden whose wedding shower was held at the community centre on Aug. 20. The event was made entertaining by a setting of silver screen awards, red carpet and all. Our good wishes to this couple and their families from Guilford residents.

Guests at our place over the week included a former school chum of mine from Barrie, Nora Brett and Derek Beuk, nephew of Walter Hobden and Walter's sister, Doreen Sheehy of Blackstock.

Shirley Johnston has been sightseeing with family in England over about three weeks. Accompanying her on the trip were her daughter, Teresa Bird, her sister, Joyce with her daughter Jennifer Kidd and grand-daughter Rebecca. Sightseeing in London included Westminster Abbey and Oxford University and further in Sussex, Hever Castle and the town of Lowestoft. They also had a look at Stonehenge as well as visiting family in England.

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We spend a lot of time planning where we are going to go, where are we going to stay and what are we going to do when we get there. However, we often forget to make sure the "wheels" (aka: our vehicle) is well prepared both under the hood and in case we have the dreaded breakdown on the side of the road. It only takes a few minutes to make sure your vehicle is prepared for the road trip, assuming you've been doing regular maintenance all along. I actually have a 10-minute road trip checklist, which can be downloaded from www.carecanada.ca, called "Kelly's Checklist". The number one thing you want to do is check tire pressures! Under inflated tires are the biggest cause of blowouts, and you will also burn more fuel since there is increased rolling resistance. After you check the tires, take a minute to pull the engine's dipstick and make sure you have enough oil. I know it sounds crazy but I often see engines with barely any oil in them.

The next items to check are the wiper blades (front and rear, if applicable). When was the last time they were changed? They should be changed every six months. If you can't see where you are going when it's raining, we all have a problem. The last thing you want to do is make sure your headlights and brake lights are working. You want people to know when you are putting on the brakes don't you? You also want people to be able to see you at night. The other part of getting ready for the road trip is to make sure you have an emergency roadside kit just in case you do actually break down on the side of the road (although the hope is that you never have to get it out of the trunk). You could buy a fancy kit or you could make one up yourself. Here are some of the basics that should be included: booster cables, map, blanket, water, call police sign, road side assistance number, first-aid kit and a cell phone and charger. Did you know you can still dial 911 on a cell phone that doesn't have a plan? Throw your old cell phone in the glove box. The full list can be downloaded from the website above. Also there, a Family Road Trip Guide includes games the whole family can play while driving. Breaking down on the side of the road is not very much fun and can make you miss part of your vacation. By taking a bit of time beforehand to make sure your mode of transportation is in good order, you could save yourself a lot of heartache. Have a great vacation!

Written by Kelly Williams. For more car info go to autonet.ca.

community calendar

What's happening in the County

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Taoist Tai Chi Society Summer Classes Summer run for four weeks for a fee of \$40.00 Haliburton - Mon from 6-8PM starting Aug 8th at the Haliburton United Church. Minden- Tues from 6-8PM starting Aug 9th at the Hyland Crest Auditorium Please contact Uta @ 705-457-2293 or Julia @ 705-286-1444 or Marg @ 705-448-1436

- **Aug 24: Haliburton Toast Masters Club** Meeting .Please call 705-286-2624 for location and for more information
- **Aug 24: Trinity United Church Fish Fry Dinner**, 40 William St Bobcaygeon beginning at 4:30-7:00pm \$14 Tickets available at Church office
- **Aug 26: Haliburton County Farmers' Market** Located at That Place in Carnarvon, 1pm-5pm Every Friday For info call Angela McGreevy @ 705 457-9843
- **Aug 27: South Lake Association Annual Corn Roast**, 1336 Hamilton Road at 1 pm
- **Sept 3: Gooderham United Church Yard Sale** 8am-3pm, light refreshments available
- **Sept 7: The Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild** Make a Quilt 101 classes run every Wednesday until the end of October from 9-noon for more information call Dale at 705-489-4895
- **Sept 10: Haliburton Concert Series** will present pianist Winston Choi on Saturday, 7:30 p.m. in the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$10 for students. Contact Brenda Robinson at 705-457-2695 For more details visit www.haliburtoncs.blogspot.com.
- **Sept 14 : The Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild** will be meeting at 1 pm at the Stanhope Community Centre. The program features the New York City Red & White Quilt Show Highlights and McTavishing video.
- **Sept 14: Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group** meeting will be held at the Minden Legion. Featuring "Bring an Ancestor" with mini-presentations no longer than 5 minutes. Doors open at 6pm; presentations at 7 Refreshments available. Call Gail Leach-Wunker 705-286-2225
- **Sept 16: Turkey Supper**, with all the trimmings, at Haliburton United Church: 5:30 pm. Tickets \$15 and advanced reserved seating limited to 80 people. Call Kay (705) 286-4719

• **Sept 17 : RIDE for REFUGE: Love. Sweat. Gears.** This major cycling fundraiser is coming to Haliburton County! Now recruiting captains and rider. Start, finish and lunch at Camp Medeba, West Guilford. Email rwandaride@gmail.com for a captain info packet. The 2011 Haliburton RIDE's primary focus is raising funds to support and empower vulnerable widows and orphans in Ruhengeri, Rwanda suffering from the effects of low literacy, extreme poverty, HIV/AIDS and especially the 1994 Rwandan genocide that saw close to 1 million Rwandans killed in 100 days. To get your questions answered about the RIDE, call Sarah at 705-457-5399 (after 5) or Carol at 705-457-7220 (after 6). Scenic road routes at varying lengths to choose from. Long sleeved RIDE shirt and celebration lunch for all registrants. Visit www.rideforrefuge.org/location/haliburton for info specific to Haliburton's inaugural RIDE, and to register today!

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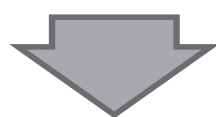
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Deaths

RAW, Lillian Ivy (nee White) - Passed away peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Friday, August 19, 2011. In her 89th year. Beloved wife of the late Wilfrid (2002). Dear mother of Lois Raw, Raymond and his wife Barbara and predeceased by her son Peter (1985). Loving grandma of Adrienne and Brendon. Daughter of the late William and Florence White. Dear sister of Billy White (deceased), Helen Hall (deceased) and Allan (Joanne) White. Lovingly remembered by her family and friends. Friends are invited to visit the family at the Minden United Church, Newcastle St., Minden on Wednesday, August 24, 2011 from 12:00 o'clock noon until the time of the Service to Celebrate Lillian's life at 1:00 pm. Reception will follow at the church (downstairs). Cremation has taken place. Memorial Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME Ltd.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

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In memoriam

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For the days we do not think of you,
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Always loved and sadly missed by Frank, Keith, Jackie, Karen and grandchildren.

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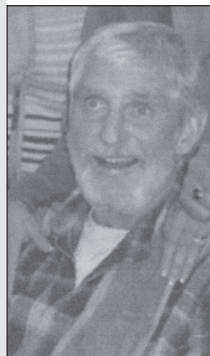
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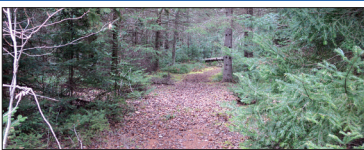


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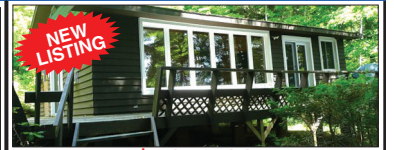


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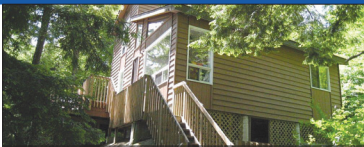


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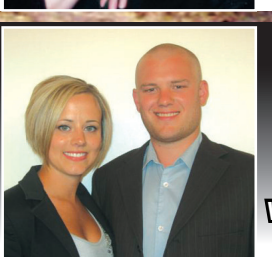
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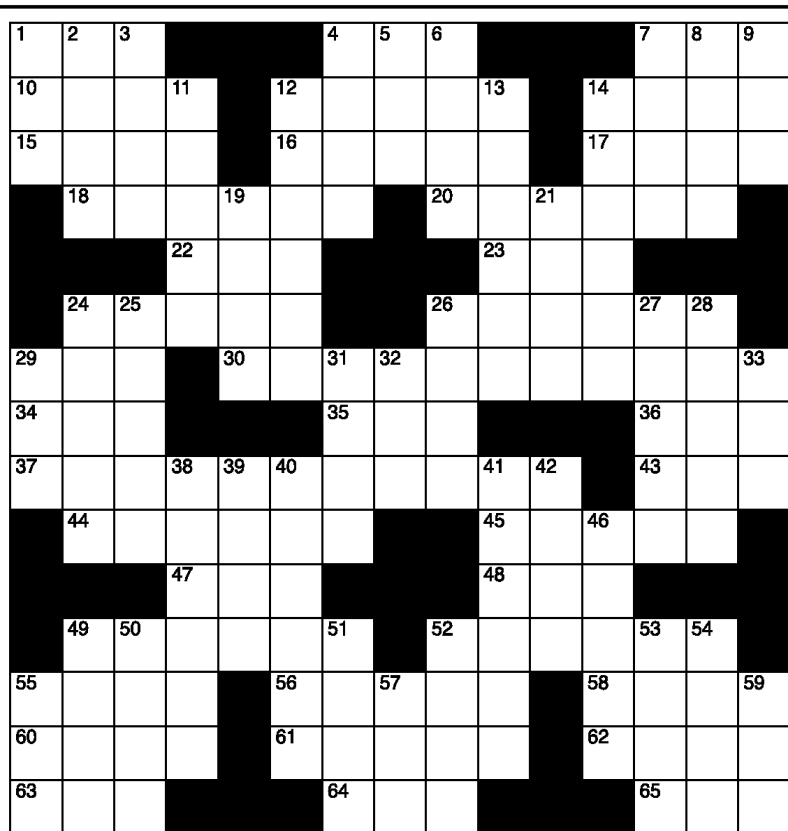
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1. Federally chartered savings bank
4. Droop
7. Point midway between E and SE
10. Not generally occurring
12. Water arum
14. Sharp barks
15. Continent
16. Afflicted
17. As fast as can be done, abbr.
18. Breeding ground
20. Minnesotan
22. Many not ands
23. This moment
24. Yemen capital
26. Temptresses
29. Surface matt of grass & roots
30. Elementary institute
34. Humorous in a shrewd way
35. Mother
36. To feel regret
37. Do without discovery
43. Runner that glides over snow
44. Actor ____ Day-Lewis
45. Leaks out slowly
47. Abbr. for degree
48. Ribonucleic acid
49. Loudly lamented
52. Rows, one over another
55. Italian Island
56. Lofty nest of a bird of prey
58. Legally binding command
60. Informal term for a human head
61. Dismisses angrily
62. Soluble ribonucleic acid
63. Big clock in Westminster
64. Radio direction finder (abbr.)
65. de cologne

CLUES DOWN

1. Title of Italian monk or friar
2. Part of a window frame
3. Gusto (Italian)
4. Aforementioned
5. The whole lot
6. Quick-eyed (Scottish)
7. A prosperous state of well-being
8. Pole used to support rigging
9. Clairvoyance
11. 45320 OH
12. Dog whisperer Milan
13. Youth loved by Aphrodite
14. Old Testament name of God
19. Boast
21. Meat from a pig (alt. sp.)
24. Made tender
25. Sanctum in an ancient temple
26. Partial
27. People of Scandinavia
28. Arabian open-air markets
29. Sine wave generator (abbr.)
31. AKA pentyl
32. ____ Jones Industrial Average
33. Garland of flowers
38. About Andes
39. German name for Vienna
40. Sea between Greece and Turkey
41. Revolutionary Loyalists
42. Sharpen on a whetstone
46. Middle East cup holders
49. Swiss painter Paul
50. Israeli politician Abba
51. A beloved person
52. Petty quarrel
53. Irish Republic
54. Airport actor Andrews
55. Outward flow of the tide
57. Rural Free Delivery (abbr.)
59. Follows sigma

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challenge on July 1st. We have 42 participants. On July 30th Paul Doughty a cottager on Eagle Lake completed his 96 climbs to become the first rider to complete the challenge.

The challenge is on until Oct. 8.



Paul Doughty, middle, was the first rider to complete the Everest Challenge. Doughty is pictured here with Dave Webb, Director of Alpine Programs and Owner JD Bishop wearing his prize of a T-Shirt with Sir Sam's Ski & Bike, Everest Challenge 2011 -Sir Edmund Hillary "First Up".

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Sudoku

To solve sudoku, the numbers one through nine must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

See answers on page 7.

				8		2		
4	1		6	3	9	8		
3					7			
5		4			6			
		7	9				3	4
1	9							
	4	3		6		1		
8			5	9	1			
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What's *on* in the county

- **A pictorial essay of Haliburton County** A new picture every day at <http://jackbush.myexpressions.com>.
- **Al-Anon Meetings** in Minden Mondays, 8 p.m. at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home meeting room (north entrance.)
- **Alzheimer's Disease support group** for caregivers of people with dementia meets the 4th Thursday of the month at the Haliburton Hospital in the Ruth Parkes Room 10 a.m.-12 p.m., 800-765-0515.
- **Attention All Seniors:** As of May 10th Grumpys Taxi will deliver your groceries from Independent or Foodland within 2km of Haliburton "Free of Charge" Please call 705-457-2276 for more information or to book your grocery pick up.
- **BUY LOCAL FOOD:** Visit www.haliburtonfresh.com to learn about Haliburton Highland's farmers' markets, gate sales, and other outlets where you can buy locally grown and produced food. For more information, contact Marcus 705 447 2698.
- **Boat Smart Exam** Facility Centre at Wintergreen call Paul Morin at 705-286-4360
- **Bread for Life Diner:** August 5, September 2, October 7, November 4, December 2 For more information contact the Highland Lakes Community Church
- **Celebrate Recovery Meeting:** Lakeside Baptist Church, Mondays doors open at 6:30pm 705-457-2851.
- **Club 35 Events** - Bid Euchre Fridays at 7p.m. Euchre for adults and seniors on Mondays at 7p.m. Call 705-489-2945.
- **Diners Club at the Minden Legion**, first and third Thursday of every month. • at Win Yeung, Haliburton, second and fourth Wednesday of every month. • at the Wilberforce Legion, second and fourth Friday of every month. Contact Ida 705-457-2941.
- **For women experiencing any type of abuse**, call the YWCA Crisis Line at 705-286-6442 or 800-461-7656.
- **Good Food Box** in Haliburton County. \$15. Place order 2nd Thursday of each month & pick up order 3rd Thursday. Call Mary 705-448-1128.
- **Haliburton Concert Series** Sept 10: will present pianist Winston Choi in concert on Saturday, September 10th at 7:30 p.m. in the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. He will perform works by Bach, Beethoven, Brahms, Chopin, and Nancarrow. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$10 for students. Contact Brenda Robinson at 705-457-2695 or brobinson@interhop.net. For more details visit www.haliburtoncs.blogspot.com.
- **Haliburton County Farmers' Market** Located at That Place in Carnarvon, corner Hwy s 118 & 35 from 1pm-5pm Every Friday through to Sept 9. PLUS Harvest Market on Oct.7. For info call Angela McGreevy @ 705 457-9843 or angelamcgreevy@rocketmail.com
- **Haliburton County Historical Society September 22 Meeting @ 1:30pm** located at Maple Lake United Church, Stanhope Airport Rd. & Hwy 118. Topic: Haliburton Land Trust, history & update. Speaker: Sheila Ziman
- **Haliburton County Historical Society October 27 Meeting @ 1:30pm** located at R. McCausland Memorial Centre 1043 Community Centre Rd. Gooderham. Topic: Gooderham & Glamorgan Township Speaker Marilyn Billings
- **Haliburton County Historical Society November 17 Meeting @ 1:30pm** located at Maple Lake United Church, Stanhope Airport Rd. & Hwy 118. Topic
- **Haliburton Highlands Stroke Support Group** meets the third Thursday of each month 10 a.m. to noon in the Fireside Lounge, Minden Hospital. Call Lois at 705-286-1765.
- Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary Gift Shop located at 7199 Gelert Rd now open Monday to Friday 11:30am-3:00pm
- **Haliburton Highland's Rug Hookers** meet every Monday at the Minden Legion from 10-2. Learn traditional rug hooking or bring an ongoing project. Call Linda 705-447-1169 or Peggy 705-286-3387
- **Highlands Squash Club** (beside the Haliburton Arena) offers recreational squash. Tuesday and Thursday, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Free lessons for beginners. Call Don Gage at 705-286-5085.
- Help to Preserve our History with a veterans museum Wanted: British, Canadian or German WWI and WWII items Uniforms, helmets and caps and metals, photographs, shells and weapons. Please do not donate money. Items broken or in part are welcome. Contact Martin Hofland at 705-457-2382
- **Kids Rock Bass Derby** July 31: at he Winters cottage W94, Children-18 years of age Cost \$2.00 per entrant Call 705-286-2148 for more information
- **Kinmount Farmers Market:** Saturdays from 9am-2pm located at the old Railway Station Kinmount Ontario. Open Saturdays Beginning May 21-Thanksgiving Weekend
- **Living with Cancer Support Group** meets on the third Tuesday of the month from 1 to 3 p.m. For information call Linda or Lynn at 705-457-1742.

• **Meals On Wheels** by Community Care Haliburton County offers nutritiously balanced frozen meals. Call 705-457-2941.

• **Meditation Classes** Join us every Monday for FREE meditation classes, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 1004 Nipissing Trail, Gelert. Call 705-286-3984 for details and cost info for workbook.

• **Minden and District Horticultural Society** meets the first Tuesday of each month, May to November at 7 p.m. at the Minden Community Centre, call Barb at 754 9303 or Liz at 447 0151.

• **Ontario Breast Screening Program** for women 50 years and over, screening by appointment only on Thursdays and Fridays at Ross Memorial Hospital. No doctor referral necessary. 705-328-6175.

• **Overcomers Recovery Support Group**, Wednesday evenings 7 to 8:30 p.m. www.recoverysupport.org. Don or Judy at 705-457-3017.

• **Parkinson's Support Group Meetings** are held the second Wednesday of each month at the Haliburton United Church on Pine Street in Haliburton from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Call Janet Bottum or Barb Fraser 705-455-9220.

• **River Walk Minden** is asking residents for their help to lend historic pictures and/or family stories for interpretative signage and future historic booklet. For more information call 705-286-1312 or mindenriverwalk@gmail.com

• **RIDE for REFUGE:** Love. Sweat. Gears. This major cycling fundraiser is coming to Haliburton County! Now recruiting captains and riders. Start, finish and lunch at Camp Medeba, West Guilford. Email rwandaride@gmail.com for a captain info packet. The 2011 Haliburton RIDE's primary focus is raising funds to support and empower vulnerable widows and orphans in Ruhengeri, Rwanda suffering from the effects or low literacy, extreme poverty, HIV/AIDS and especially the 1994 Rwandan genocide that saw close to 1 million Rwandans killed in 100 days. To get your questions answered about the RIDE, call Sarah at 705-457-5399 (after 5) or Carol at 705-457-7220 (after 6). A short info session will take place at the fountain at Head Lake park at 11:30 Sunday July 31st for all interested riders and captains. Scenic road routes at varying lengths to choose from. Free long sleeved RIDE shirt and lunch for all registrants.

• **Royal Canadian Legion, Haliburton Br. 129.** Wednesday night is bingo night. Early bird at 7 p.m.

• **Royal Canadian Legion, Minden Br. 636**, general business meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

• **Royal Canadian Legion, Minden Br. 636**, invites the public to join their weekly lunch time meat draw held every week on Wednesday. There is a great lunch menu and multiple draws for prizes of meat. Lunch runs from noon to 2:00 p.m.

• **Security Check Phone Call** Community Care Haliburton County has volunteers to give seniors 55+ or physically disabled adults a security check phone call. Call Judy 705-457-2941.

• **Shepherd's Table Community Supper** Every first and third Friday of the month at the Lakeside Baptist Church at 5:30 p.m. for a free, hot and nutritious meal to help you stretch your grocery dollars. R.S.V.P 705-457-2851.

• **SMART Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together** is a safe, gentle exercise program to maintain strength, balance and flexibility. \$2 per session. Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in Hyland Crest auditorium. To register call Carol at 705-286-2500 ext. 265 or Melanie Therrien (VON) at 800-743-6255 ex 6451.

• **Tea at 3** Wednesdays at 3 p.m at the Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre.

• **The Shaw Festival Theatre** Oct 4th & 5th Join us for Shaw's Epic Masterpiece "Heartbreak House" Trip includes: 1 night at the White Oaks in a superior guest room including breakfast, 1 gourmet dinner, baggage handling, a welcome reception, Shaw Festival Performance of Heartbreak House, round trip transportation by Hammond Transportation, all taxes and gratuities. Single Traveller \$349 Each of Two to a Room \$261 Please book and pay before Thursday Aug 18th . Please call Elaine Davison 705-286-4268 Bus Leaves from Minden Legion. PLEASE JOIN US!! Event brought to you by Minden 636 Seniors

• **The Haliburton Highlands Handweavers & Spinners Guild** meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m., new members welcome. Contact Marian Gillanders, 705-489-3574, for info

• **The Haliburton Highlands Prostate Cancer Support Group** meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge at the Highland Crest Senior Citizen's home in Minden. Call Rick Ratcliff at 705-286-6699.

• **OEYC Summer Schedule:** Minden – Mon-Wed from 9:30 to 1:00 Haliburton OEYC Tues-Thurs 9:30-1:00p.m. Both centres will be closed for the month August and reopen Tuesday Sept 6 for regular hours

• **VON Adult Day Program** Mondays & Thursdays in Minden and Tuesdays in Haliburton, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call Karen at 705-286-6031.

• **Volunteer Recruitment:** Community Care City of Kawartha Lakes Health and Support Services is currently recruiting volunteers Training provided. Contact Eileen MacCormack, 705-324-7323, ext. 274 or emaccormack@community-care.on.ca.

• **WANTED:** Local Farm/Food Producers to Display Saturdays Beside Martys Health Foods. call Rolf at 705-457-3216

• **Wii Resort** Every Tuesday 9:30-noon at the Community Care Drop in Centre.

Practicing literacy is as easy as A-B-C

September is all about back-to-school – time to get back into routines, make lunches and go to bed early. And since there’s so much to do and kids are still in summer mode, it’s hard to make sure the family is focusing on learning. Learning together as a family is vital to a child’s future education. Doing family literacy activities not only helps develop children’s reading, writing and math skills, it also provides an opportunity for parents to learn something new too! Children raised in literate households are likely to enter grade one with several thousand hours of one-to-one pre-reading experience behind them.

Learning happens in many ways, especially in our day-to-day activities. In honour of September’s Life Literacy Month, ABC Life Literacy Canada offers 10 fun and easy ways to make literacy part of your family’s daily life.

- 1. When making your grocery list, have your child write out the items you need to buy.
- 2. At the store, ask your child to count out the money to make the purchase.
- 3. Make it a habit to always read a story together at bedtime.
- 4. When cooking dinner, involve your children in measuring the ingredients. This helps them understand fractions and measurements.
- 5. Driving is the perfect opportunity to practice literacy. Read signs, billboards and licence plates together, and show your children the proper way to read a map.
- 6. While on the Internet, make time to research something new that your family is interested in. Researching skills are important and help with reading and comprehension.
- 7. In the car, sing along to songs on the radio. Singing encourages learning patterns of words, rhymes and rhythms, and is strongly connected to language skills.
- 8. When playing a board game, read the instructions



aloud to each other or count how many spaces to travel around the board.

9. Involve your kids when you pay bills. This will teach them strong financial skills early on in life.

10. Children follow by example, so ensure reading is part of your daily life too!

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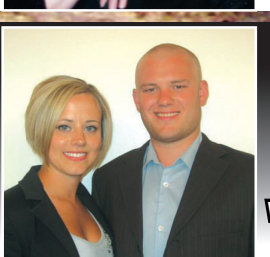
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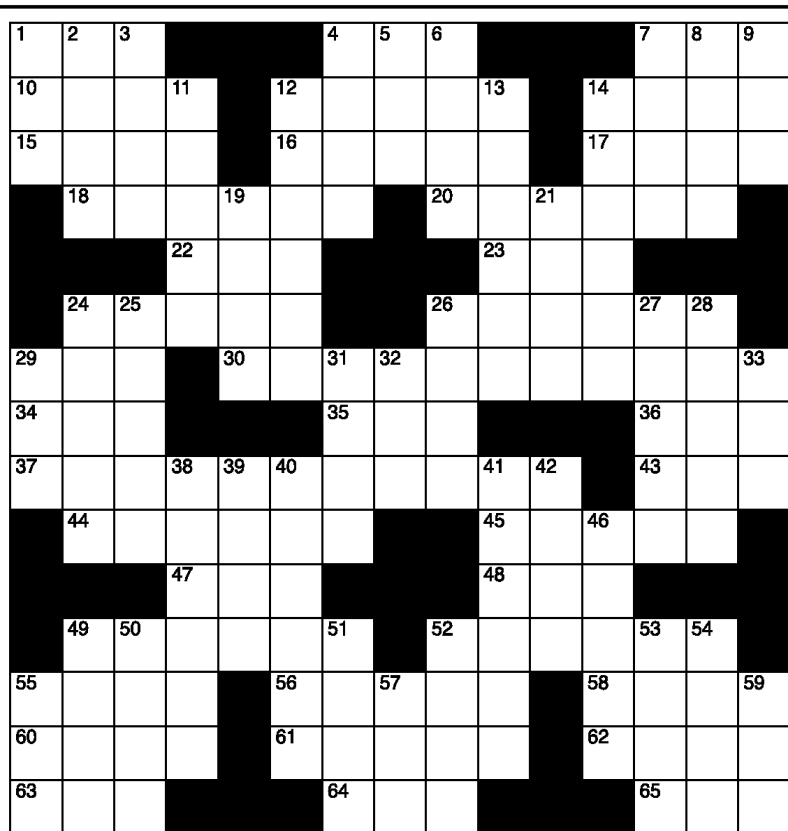
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Federally chartered savings bank
4. Droop
7. Point midway between E and SE
10. Not generally occurring
12. Water arum
14. Sharp barks
15. Continent
16. Afflicted
17. As fast as can be done, abbr.
18. Breeding ground
20. Minnesotan
22. Many not ands
23. This moment
24. Yemen capital
26. Temptresses
29. Surface matt of grass & roots
30. Elementary institute
34. Humorous in a shrewd way
35. Mother
36. To feel regret
37. Do without discovery
43. Runner that glides over snow
44. Actor ____ Day-Lewis
45. Leaks out slowly
47. Abbr. for degree
48. Ribonucleic acid
49. Loudly lamented
52. Rows, one over another
55. Italian Island
56. Lofty nest of a bird of prey
58. Legally binding command
60. Informal term for a human head
61. Dismisses angrily
62. Soluble ribonucleic acid
63. Big clock in Westminster
64. Radio direction finder (abbr.)
65. de cologne

CLUES DOWN

1. Title of Italian monk or friar
2. Part of a window frame
3. Gusto (Italian)
4. Aforementioned
5. The whole lot
6. Quick-eyed (Scottish)
7. A prosperous state of well-being
8. Pole used to support rigging
9. Clairvoyance
11. 45320 OH
12. Dog whisperer Milan
13. Youth loved by Aphrodite
14. Old Testament name of God
19. Boast
21. Meat from a pig (alt. sp.)
24. Made tender
25. Sanctum in an ancient temple
26. Partial
27. People of Scandinavia
28. Arabian open-air markets
29. Sine wave generator (abbr.)
31. AKA pentyl
32. ____ Jones Industrial Average
33. Garland of flowers
38. About Andes
39. German name for Vienna
40. Sea between Greece and Turkey
41. Revolutionary Loyalists
42. Sharpen on a whetstone
46. Middle East cup holders
49. Swiss painter Paul
50. Israeli politician Abba
51. A beloved person
52. Petty quarrel
53. Irish Republic
54. Airport actor Andrews
55. Outward flow of the tide
57. Rural Free Delivery (abbr.)
59. Follows sigma

Come out and test your endurance at the Everest Challenge

This summer at Sir Sam's Ski & Bike we initiated the Everest Challenge. Mount Everest is approximately 30,000 feet high. Sir Sam's vertical is 325 feet. If a person was to ride up our hill it would take 96 climbs to equal the climb of Mount Everest. We initiated the

challenge on July 1st. We have 42 participants. On July 30th Paul Doughty a cottager on Eagle Lake completed his 96 climbs to become the first rider to complete the challenge.

The challenge is on until Oct. 8.



Paul Doughty, middle, was the first rider to complete the Everest Challenge. Doughty is pictured here with Dave Webb, Director of Alpine Programs and Owner JD Bishop wearing his prize of a T-Shirt with Sir Sam's Ski & Bike, Everest Challenge 2011 -Sir Edmund Hillary "First Up".

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Sudoku

To solve sudoku, the numbers one through nine must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

See answers on page 7.

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What's *on* in the county

- **A pictorial essay of Haliburton County** A new picture every day at <http://jackbush.myexpressions.com>.
- **Al-Anon Meetings** in Minden Mondays, 8 p.m. at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home meeting room (north entrance.)
- **Alzheimer's Disease support group** for caregivers of people with dementia meets the 4th Thursday of the month at the Haliburton Hospital in the Ruth Parkes Room 10 a.m.-12 p.m., 800-765-0515.
- **Attention All Seniors:** As of May 10th Grumpys Taxi will deliver your groceries from Independent or Foodland within 2km of Haliburton "Free of Charge" Please call 705-457-2276 for more information or to book your grocery pick up.
- **BUY LOCAL FOOD:** Visit www.haliburtonfresh.com to learn about Haliburton Highland's farmers' markets, gate sales, and other outlets where you can buy locally grown and produced food. For more information, contact Marcus 705 447 2698.
- **Boat Smart Exam** Facility Centre at Wintergreen call Paul Morin at 705-286-4360
- **Bread for Life Diner:** August 5, September 2, October 7, November 4, December 2 For more information contact the Highland Lakes Community Church
- **Celebrate Recovery Meeting:** Lakeside Baptist Church, Mondays doors open at 6:30pm 705-457-2851.
- **Club 35 Events** - Bid Euchre Fridays at 7p.m. Euchre for adults and seniors on Mondays at 7p.m. Call 705-489-2945.
- **Diners Club at the Minden Legion**, first and third Thursday of every month. • at Win Yeung, Haliburton, second and fourth Wednesday of every month. • at the Wilberforce Legion, second and fourth Friday of every month. Contact Ida 705-457-2941.
- **For women experiencing any type of abuse**, call the YWCA Crisis Line at 705-286-6442 or 800-461-7656.
- **Good Food Box** in Haliburton County. \$15. Place order 2nd Thursday of each month & pick up order 3rd Thursday. Call Mary 705-448-1128.
- **Haliburton Concert Series** Sept 10: will present pianist Winston Choi in concert on Saturday, September 10th at 7:30 p.m. in the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. He will perform works by Bach, Beethoven, Brahms, Chopin, and Nancarrow. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$10 for students. Contact Brenda Robinson at 705-457-2695 or brobinson@interhop.net. For more details visit www.haliburtoncs.blogspot.com.
- **Haliburton County Farmers' Market** Located at That Place in Carnarvon, corner Hwy s 118 & 35 from 1pm-5pm Every Friday through to Sept 9. PLUS Harvest Market on Oct.7. For info call Angela McGreevy @ 705 457-9843 or angelamcgreevy@rocketmail.com
- **Haliburton County Historical Society September 22 Meeting @ 1:30pm** located at Maple Lake United Church, Stanhope Airport Rd. & Hwy 118. Topic: Haliburton Land Trust, history & update. Speaker: Sheila Ziman
- **Haliburton County Historical Society October 27 Meeting @ 1:30pm** located at R. McCausland Memorial Centre 1043 Community Centre Rd. Gooderham. Topic: Gooderham & Glamorgan Township Speaker Marilyn Billings
- **Haliburton County Historical Society November 17 Meeting @ 1:30pm** located at Maple Lake United Church, Stanhope Airport Rd. & Hwy 118. Topic
- **Haliburton Highlands Stroke Support Group** meets the third Thursday of each month 10 a.m. to noon in the Fireside Lounge, Minden Hospital. Call Lois at 705-286-1765.
- Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary Gift Shop located at 7199 Gelert Rd now open Monday to Friday 11:30am-3:00pm
- **Haliburton Highland's Rug Hookers** meet every Monday at the Minden Legion from 10-2. Learn traditional rug hooking or bring an ongoing project. Call Linda 705-447-1169 or Peggy 705-286-3387
- **Highlands Squash Club** (beside the Haliburton Arena) offers recreational squash. Tuesday and Thursday, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Free lessons for beginners. Call Don Gage at 705-286-5085.
- Help to Preserve our History with a veterans museum Wanted: British, Canadian or German WWI and WWII items Uniforms, helmets and caps and metals, photographs, shells and weapons. Please do not donate money. Items broken or in part are welcome. Contact Martin Hofland at 705-457-2382
- **Kids Rock Bass Derby** July 31: at he Winters cottage W94, Children-18 years of age Cost \$2.00 per entrant Call 705-286-2148 for more information
- **Kinmount Farmers Market:** Saturdays from 9am-2pm located at the old Railway Station Kinmount Ontario. Open Saturdays Beginning May 21-Thanksgiving Weekend
- **Living with Cancer Support Group** meets on the third Tuesday of the month from 1 to 3 p.m. For information call Linda or Lynn at 705-457-1742.

• **Meals On Wheels** by Community Care Haliburton County offers nutritiously balanced frozen meals. Call 705-457-2941.

• **Meditation Classes** Join us every Monday for FREE meditation classes, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 1004 Nipissing Trail, Gelert. Call 705-286-3984 for details and cost info for workbook.

• **Minden and District Horticultural Society** meets the first Tuesday of each month, May to November at 7 p.m. at the Minden Community Centre, call Barb at 754 9303 or Liz at 447 0151.

• **Ontario Breast Screening Program** for women 50 years and over, screening by appointment only on Thursdays and Fridays at Ross Memorial Hospital. No doctor referral necessary. 705-328-6175.

• **Overcomers Recovery Support Group**, Wednesday evenings 7 to 8:30 p.m. www.recoverysupport.org. Don or Judy at 705-457-3017.

• **Parkinson's Support Group Meetings** are held the second Wednesday of each month at the Haliburton United Church on Pine Street in Haliburton from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Call Janet Bottum or Barb Fraser 705-455-9220.

• **River Walk Minden** is asking residents for their help to lend historic pictures and/or family stories for interpretative signage and future historic booklet. For more information call 705-286-1312 or mindenriverwalk@gmail.com

• **RIDE for REFUGE:** Love. Sweat. Gears. This major cycling fundraiser is coming to Haliburton County! Now recruiting captains and riders. Start, finish and lunch at Camp Medeba, West Guilford. Email rwandaride@gmail.com for a captain info packet. The 2011 Haliburton RIDE's primary focus is raising funds to support and empower vulnerable widows and orphans in Ruhengeri, Rwanda suffering from the effects or low literacy, extreme poverty, HIV/AIDS and especially the 1994 Rwandan genocide that saw close to 1 million Rwandans killed in 100 days. To get your questions answered about the RIDE, call Sarah at 705-457-5399 (after 5) or Carol at 705-457-7220 (after 6). A short info session will take place at the fountain at Head Lake park at 11:30 Sunday July 31st for all interested riders and captains. Scenic road routes at varying lengths to choose from. Free long sleeved RIDE shirt and lunch for all registrants.

• **Royal Canadian Legion, Haliburton Br. 129.** Wednesday night is bingo night. Early bird at 7 p.m.

• **Royal Canadian Legion, Minden Br. 636**, general business meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

• **Royal Canadian Legion, Minden Br. 636**, invites the public to join their weekly lunch time meat draw held every week on Wednesday. There is a great lunch menu and multiple draws for prizes of meat. Lunch runs from noon to 2:00 p.m.

• **Security Check Phone Call** Community Care Haliburton County has volunteers to give seniors 55+ or physically disabled adults a security check phone call. Call Judy 705-457-2941.

• **Shepherd's Table Community Supper** Every first and third Friday of the month at the Lakeside Baptist Church at 5:30 p.m. for a free, hot and nutritious meal to help you stretch your grocery dollars. R.S.V.P 705-457-2851.

• **SMART Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together** is a safe, gentle exercise program to maintain strength, balance and flexibility. \$2 per session. Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in Hyland Crest auditorium. To register call Carol at 705-286-2500 ext. 265 or Melanie Therrien (VON) at 800-743-6255 ex 6451.

• **Tea at 3** Wednesdays at 3 p.m at the Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre.

• **The Shaw Festival Theatre** Oct 4th & 5th Join us for Shaw's Epic Masterpiece "Heartbreak House" Trip includes: 1 night at the White Oaks in a superior guest room including breakfast, 1 gourmet dinner, baggage handling, a welcome reception, Shaw Festival Performance of Heartbreak House, round trip transportation by Hammond Transportation, all taxes and gratuities. Single Traveller \$349 Each of Two to a Room \$261 Please book and pay before Thursday Aug 18th . Please call Elaine Davison 705-286-4268 Bus Leaves from Minden Legion. PLEASE JOIN US!! Event brought to you by Minden 636 Seniors

• **The Haliburton Highlands Handweavers & Spinners Guild** meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m., new members welcome. Contact Marian Gillanders, 705-489-3574, for info

• **The Haliburton Highlands Prostate Cancer Support Group** meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge at the Highland Crest Senior Citizen's home in Minden. Call Rick Ratcliff at 705-286-6699.

• **OEYC Summer Schedule:** Minden – Mon-Wed from 9:30 to 1:00 Haliburton OEYC Tues-Thurs 9:30-1:00p.m. Both centres will be closed for the month August and reopen Tuesday Sept 6 for regular hours

• **VON Adult Day Program** Mondays & Thursdays in Minden and Tuesdays in Haliburton, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call Karen at 705-286-6031.

• **Volunteer Recruitment:** Community Care City of Kawartha Lakes Health and Support Services is currently recruiting volunteers Training provided. Contact Eileen MacCormack, 705-324-7323, ext. 274 or emaccormack@community-care.on.ca.

• **WANTED:** Local Farm/Food Producers to Display Saturdays Beside Martys Health Foods. call Rolf at 705-457-3216

• **Wii Resort** Every Tuesday 9:30-noon at the Community Care Drop in Centre.

Practicing literacy is as easy as A-B-C

September is all about back-to-school – time to get back into routines, make lunches and go to bed early. And since there’s so much to do and kids are still in summer mode, it’s hard to make sure the family is focusing on learning. Learning together as a family is vital to a child’s future education. Doing family literacy activities not only helps develop children’s reading, writing and math skills, it also provides an opportunity for parents to learn something new too! Children raised in literate households are likely to enter grade one with several thousand hours of one-to-one pre-reading experience behind them.

Learning happens in many ways, especially in our day-to-day activities. In honour of September’s Life Literacy Month, ABC Life Literacy Canada offers 10 fun and easy ways to make literacy part of your family’s daily life.

1. When making your grocery list, have your child write out the items you need to buy.
2. At the store, ask your child to count out the money to make the purchase.
3. Make it a habit to always read a story together at bedtime.
4. When cooking dinner, involve your children in measuring the ingredients. This helps them understand fractions and measurements.
5. Driving is the perfect opportunity to practice literacy. Read signs, billboards and licence plates together, and show your children the proper way to read a map.
6. While on the Internet, make time to research something new that your family is interested in. Researching skills are important and help with reading and comprehension.
7. In the car, sing along to songs on the radio. Singing encourages learning patterns of words, rhymes and rhythms, and is strongly connected to language skills.
8. When playing a board game, read the instructions



aloud to each other or count how many spaces to travel around the board.

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